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Sunshine to give way to fog and mist

The present sunshine is expected to end soon, for March in Hong Kong is the month of least sunshine and the maximum amount of cloud for the year.

Fog and mist are very prevalent; temperature and humidity are also on the increase.

Temperature rises to almost 80 degrees but the mean reading for the month is 63.

This does not mean that the cold is over.

A check-up with the weatherman at the Royal Observatory yesterday disclosed that cold spells in surges, like those experienced during a period last month, may be expected till at least the end of April. It is not unusual, the weatherman added, for people in Hong Kong still to be bundled up in heavy clothes as late as May.

In March we get blown by the North East Monsoon which reaches a maximum average velocity of 11 miles an hour. Rainfall will just about double that of the preceding month but is not expected to be more than three inches. Most of the rain will fall as drizzle.

So, with the least number of sunshiny days, with the promise of frequent cloudy skies, vari-

ance of temperature and humidity and worst of all, the drizzle, this should be the ideal month to spend a holiday abroad.

February weather

The Royal Observatory announced yesterday that February was noteworthy in having an extremely warm and humid spell quickly followed by an intense cold surge.

During the warm spell between February and 12, daily mean temperatures were in the middle seventies with a maximum of 78.0°F recorded on February 9.

The maximum temperature ever recorded in February at the Royal Observatory is 79.4°F (recorded in 1923). The daily mean temperature on February 12 was 70.0°F and by February 14 it had fallen 20°F.

On the morning of February 17 a sharp frost was reported from Lan Tau Camp (2,400 ft.) at the Royal Observatory, the lowest temperature recorded was 42.5°F in 1901.

The rainfall of February 8 and 14 accounted for 22.4 mm. of a monthly total of 32.0 mm., and the total number of hours of sunshine was well below normal, otherwise there were only small departures from normal.

The month's figures and departures from normal were:

Sunshine: 78.8 hrs. (18.0 hrs. below normal).

Rainfall: 32.0 mm. (13.5 mm. below normal).

Cloudiness: 79 per cent (3 per cent above normal).

Relative humidity: 78 per cent (1 per cent below normal).

Mean maximum temperature: 64.8°F (1.4°F above normal).

Mean temperature: 69.8°F (4.8°F above normal).

Mean minimum temperature: 56.0°F (0.5°F above normal).

Mean dew point: 52°F (1°F below normal).

Court Brevities

Ata Gelderblom, aged 21, citizen of Grete Maerik, was fined \$20 by Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday when he pleaded guilty to a charge of being drunk and incapable.

Defendant was found out side the Hong Kong Hotel in Pedder Street lying on the ground and was taken to the Central Police Station.

Chen Hing, a hawker, went into Mr. Hin-shing Lo's Court at Central yesterday and stood with other hawkers waiting for their case to be called.

Chen wore a hat and was smoking a cigarette. For some time he was not detected. Eventually Mr. Lo saw defendant and told him to come forward.

Defendant did as he was told and at the same time took off his hat. Asked by the magistrate what he was doing, defendant took a puff at his cigarette. Defendant was fined \$2 by the magistrate.

Caught stealing a bicycle while attempting to ride it away in Reclamation Street on Friday, 25-year-old unemployed Wong Kwan, who told the Court that he had been in the Colony only 10 days, was ordered to be expelled by Mr. James Weeks at Kowloon yesterday.

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NOTICE

The Military authorities announce that Anti-Aircraft guns will be firing from BRICK HILL gun site on Tuesday, 7th MARCH 1950 and Wednesday 8th MARCH 1950, between the hours of 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. daily resulting in bursts over the sea East of LAMMA ISLAND.

Arrangements have been made for the patrol of areas affected in order to ensure that vessels, ships, aircraft, and persons are not exposed to danger.

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Tenders close 1200 hrs Monday 13 March 1950.

NOTICE

ROYAL SANITARY INSTITUTE.

(Hong Kong Branch)

An Examination for Sanitary Inspectors under the Hong Kong Examination Board of the Royal Sanitary Institute will be held on Monday the 13th March, 1950.

An entry fee of \$75 will be charged for this examination.

Application forms for entry to the above examination may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary, Room 109, Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank Building.

The application list will close on Thursday the 9th March, 1950.

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NOTICE
ISLAND BATHING BEACHES.

Private Bathing Huts on Middle Bay and South Bay Beaches.

1. Applications may now be made by bona fide Hong Kong residents to the Secretary, Urban Council, for the occupation during the current bathing season of existing huts and pre-war hut sites on Middle Bay and South Bay Beaches.

2. Application forms may be obtained from the Secretary, Urban Council, General Post Office Building, (top floor).

3. Only one member of a family may submit an application for a site or hut. Any additional applications found to be submitted by other members of the same family will be cancelled. Duly completed application forms must reach the Urban Council offices before noon on Wednesday, the 15th March, 1950.

4. Existing huts and sites have been classified as follows:

Class "A"—Hut in good condition.

Class "B"—Mashed or hut not in good condition.

Class "C"—Mere remnant or foundation.

5. Candidate must follow an approved Course at a recognised institution in a country other than their own. Choice of course should be stated on application form, but will not necessarily be considered as final.

The Scholarship is to the value of £350 sterling. All expenses, travelling and otherwise, over and above the £350 must be paid by the student and guaranteed in advance either by her or the body sponsoring her and must be made available before she leaves Hong Kong. Assistance towards the cost of second class return passage may be given under certain conditions by the Government of Hong Kong, if it can be shown that without such assistance the successful candidate would not be able to take up the Scholarship.

6. Application forms will only be issued against payment of a fee of \$10.00 which will not be returned. Persons applying by letter to the Secretary, Urban Council, for an application form should enclose a cheque for \$10.00.

7. The allocation of sites on the two Island beaches will be determined by ballot, which will be held in the Urban Council Chamber at 3.00 p.m. on Monday, the 20th March, 1950. Applications will not be considered in respect of specific sites or in respect of any particular class of hut or site. In the ballot more names will be drawn than the number of sites available and a reserve list will be prepared in case any successful applicant fails to take up the site allotted to him. Successful applicants will be informed of the result of the ballot and will be required to pay the appropriate permit fee to the Treasury before the 30th March, 1950.

8. If a successful applicant fails to pay the appropriate permit fee within the prescribed time limit, the site offered to him will be withdrawn and offered to the person on the reserve list.

9. Persons who have applied to the District Officer, New Territories for huts or sites in the New Territories are not debarred from applying for huts or sites on the Island beaches, but if they are successful in the ballot for the Island beach sites, they will be required to withdraw their names from the subsequent ballot to be conducted by the District Officer, New Territories.

10. Successful applicants will be granted permit, limiting their occupation of the huts or sites allotted to them, to the period specified in paragraph 5. Subletting or exploitation of huts or sites for gain is prohibited.

11. The permit will not be renewable and on its expiry the site and all materials remaining on it will revert unconditionally to Government.

Bathing Mates for Clubs and Associations

12. Existing permits, for sites allotted to Clubs and Associations will be renewed for a further year as from 1st April, 1950. Additional sites are available at Stanley, Main Beach and any Club or Association desiring a site on this beach should submit an application to the Secretary, Urban Council from whom application forms may be obtained. No charge will be made for such forms but a permit fee of \$100.00 will be charged in respect of sites so allocated.

13. Permits will be granted for the period from 1st April, 1950 to 31st March, 1951 only. Subletting and exploitation for gain will be prohibited. A further condition of the permit will be that the matched is to be used exclusively by members and their families of the Club or Association concerned. On the expiry of the permit the site and all materials remaining on

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Through the generosity of the British Commonwealth and Empire Nurses' War Memorial Fund a War Memorial Travelling Scholarship for Nurses has been awarded to Hong Kong in respect of the year 1950, the qualifications for which are as follows:

1. Candidate must be a Colonial British subject.

2. Candidate must be a State Registered Nurse and State Certified Midwife in the United Kingdom or possess comparable qualifications.

3. Candidate must have not less than five years' experience after completion of training, exclusive of any post-graduate course.

4. Candidate must follow an approved Course at a recognised institution in a country other than their own. Choice of course should be stated on application form, but will not necessarily be considered as final.

5. Candidate must have basic qualification and experience necessary for course selected.

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Private Tents

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THE BANK OF CANTON LTD.

ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly General Meeting of Shareholders of the Company will be held at the Head Office of the Company, 6, Des Voeux Road, Central, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, March 15, 1950, at 3.00 p.m. for the purpose of receiving and considering the reports of the Directors and of the Auditors and the Profit and Loss Account and Balance Sheet for the year ending December 31, 1949, and for the appointment of Auditors and Declaration of Dividends.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from March 6 to March 10, 1950 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares will be registered.

By Order of the Board,
D. S. YUAN,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, March 1, 1950.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL

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HONG KONG

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB
NOTICE

Third Race Meeting

11th March 1950

JANUARY
(December 21—January 19)
Better to take life a little less seriously after the next few days. Be content with what you have achieved during the last six weeks—and relax. A chance to make useful social contacts, follow up some new personal tie should occur on Wednesday.

FEBRUARY.
(January 21—February 18)

Wise to keep clear of controversy if you can. Disputes—particularly legal ones—likely lead to trouble mid-week. Socially and financially a propitious period. Some prospect of "gambler's luck" on Tuesday.

MARCH
(February 19—March 20)

A week for thought and planning rather than action. Get new schemes outlined, make sure you have the necessary co-operation, but don't make any drastic moves this week. Friday likely to be particularly interesting socially.

APRIL
(March 21—April 20)

Some danger of making the wrong link-up, unless you are careful. Better be a trifle cautious about new acquaintances and business offers. Best day of the week for making any vital decision will be Friday.

MAY
(April 21—May 20)

If you employ others, inucht and restraint will be needed in next few days. If employed, fellow workers try to draw you into some unnecessary controversy. If you can keep aloof from disputes, concentrate on the job in hand, increased profits or a windfall likely on Friday.

JUNE
(May 21—June 20)

Time-wasters will be busy in next few days, so if you have anything worthwhile under way, be prepared. Necessary to keep aloof from social activities and turn a deaf ear to friends if you are to achieve much. Late in week good news of a profit-making scheme.

JULY
(June 21—July 20)

Family muddles likely to keep you busy and bothered for a few days. But after Wednesday the

WHAT THE STARS FORETELL

By R. H. Naylor

situation should clear up and you may find you are in pocket. Don't make unnecessary changes either in business routine or domestic life.

AUGUST

(July 21—August 21)
Impulse may lead you into queer situations in next few days. Better restrain your urge to champion oppressed friends or take up some forlorn cause. Mid-week might bring some speculative good fortune.

SEPTEMBER

(August 22—September 22)
Budget carefully in the next few days. If you want to keep clear of muddles. Also, allow for unexpected claims on Monday. Family affairs under propitious stars latter half of week. But you may have passing anxiety about dependants or employees.

OCTOBER

(September 23—October 23)
Difficult to see clearly ahead this week so don't make hasty promises or arrange unnecessary changes. About Friday news that should make life easier for the rest of the month. A good week for social and family life.

NOVEMBER

(October 24—November 22)
If you have enemies, they will bring you trouble in the next few days. If you can spot the mischief-maker, act at once and use drastic methods. Good news probable about a financial deal or proposed house move.

DECEMBER

(November 23—December 20)
Any difficulties this week will be of your friends' making and not of yours. If you can mind your own business, get on with what needs doing, all will be well. Tuesday probably fortunate for speculation and new deals.

SUNDAY, MARCH 5: FOR MOST OF US

Likely to be an unsatisfactory day; change of plan probably necessary this afternoon. Be careful if travelling much on the roads. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Cream, 1, Crystal.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Restlessness may drive you into queer situations this year unless you are careful. Throughout 1950 and during the early days of 1951 it would be wise to go slowly and to make a few reshuffles as possible. If you can end the year with your present circumstances unchanged, you will be fortunate.

If you feel that changes must come about and that you cannot bear present conditions any longer, be sure you get the right advice before you move. June, July and September would be adverse months for any important change-over. Probably October and December would be more propitious.

Financially all's well provided you do not speculate. Whatever changes you make are not likely to affect your income to any great extent. Finances will be the least of your problems in 1950.

Don't travel if you can help it. You will be better at home than abroad this year. If you have to make long journeys or if you are a motorist, be a little more careful than usual, particularly during April June and July.

The greatest tact will be necessary in the family circle if you are to avoid estrangement from someone dear to you. June may bring complications into personal relationships that would cause much anxiety for the rest of the

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event, It single and thinking of marriage, be content to wait at any rate until the New Year of 1951.

MONDAY, MARCH 6: FOR MOST OF US: Trust to inspiration today rather than to considered judgement. If faced with an emergency this morning, be conciliatory rather than obstructive. Evening hours propitious for most types of entertaining. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Pastel shades, 6, Turquoise.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Now begins what should be an unusually interesting if rather difficult year. You should find great happiness in 1950 and, if interested in any of the Arts, increased facility in self-expression. In practical matters, there may be some confusion or misunderstanding.

It would not do to be too conservative. In business remember that this year's profits depend upon what initiative and courage you possess. A new and daring scheme will probably do very well in about six months time.

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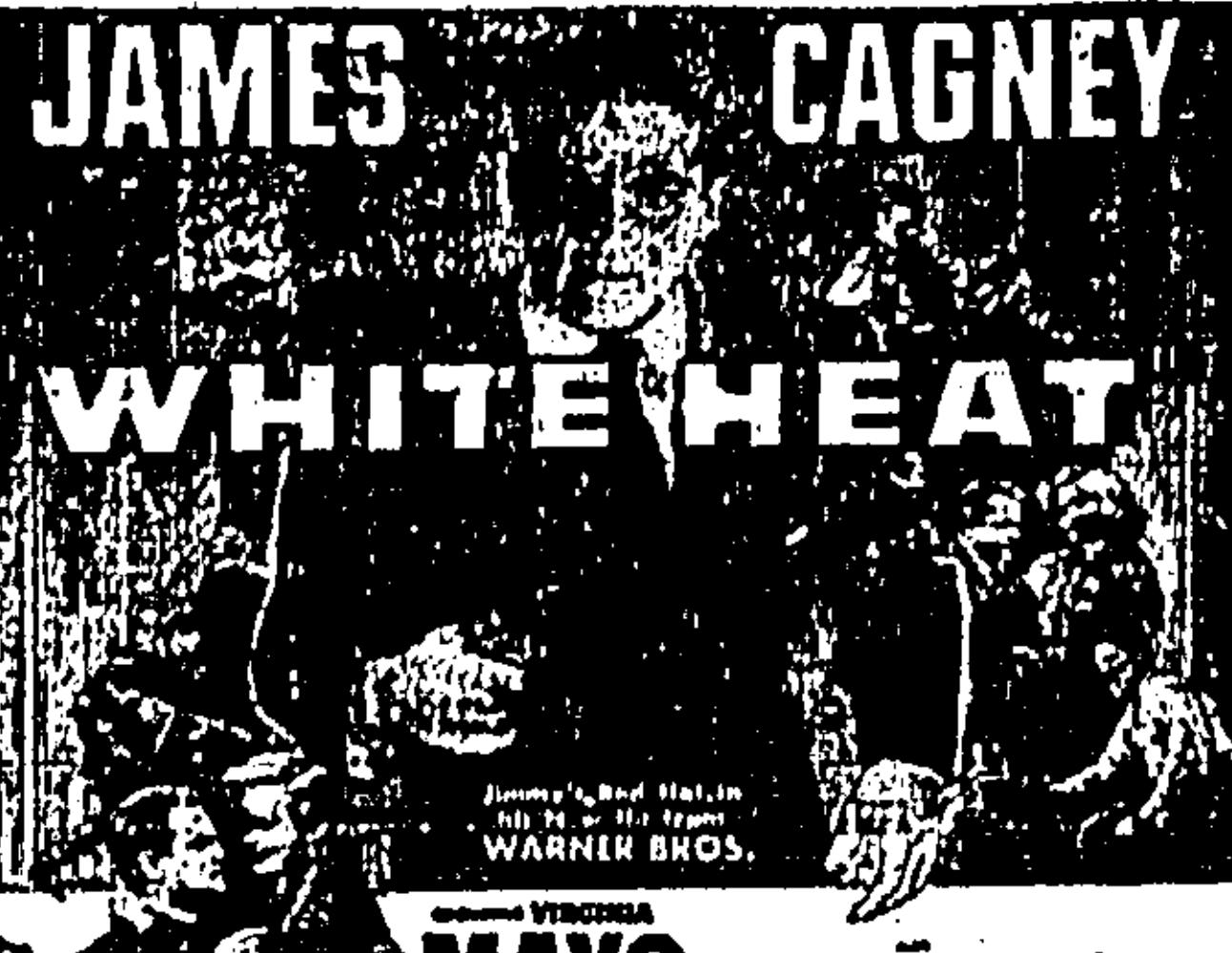
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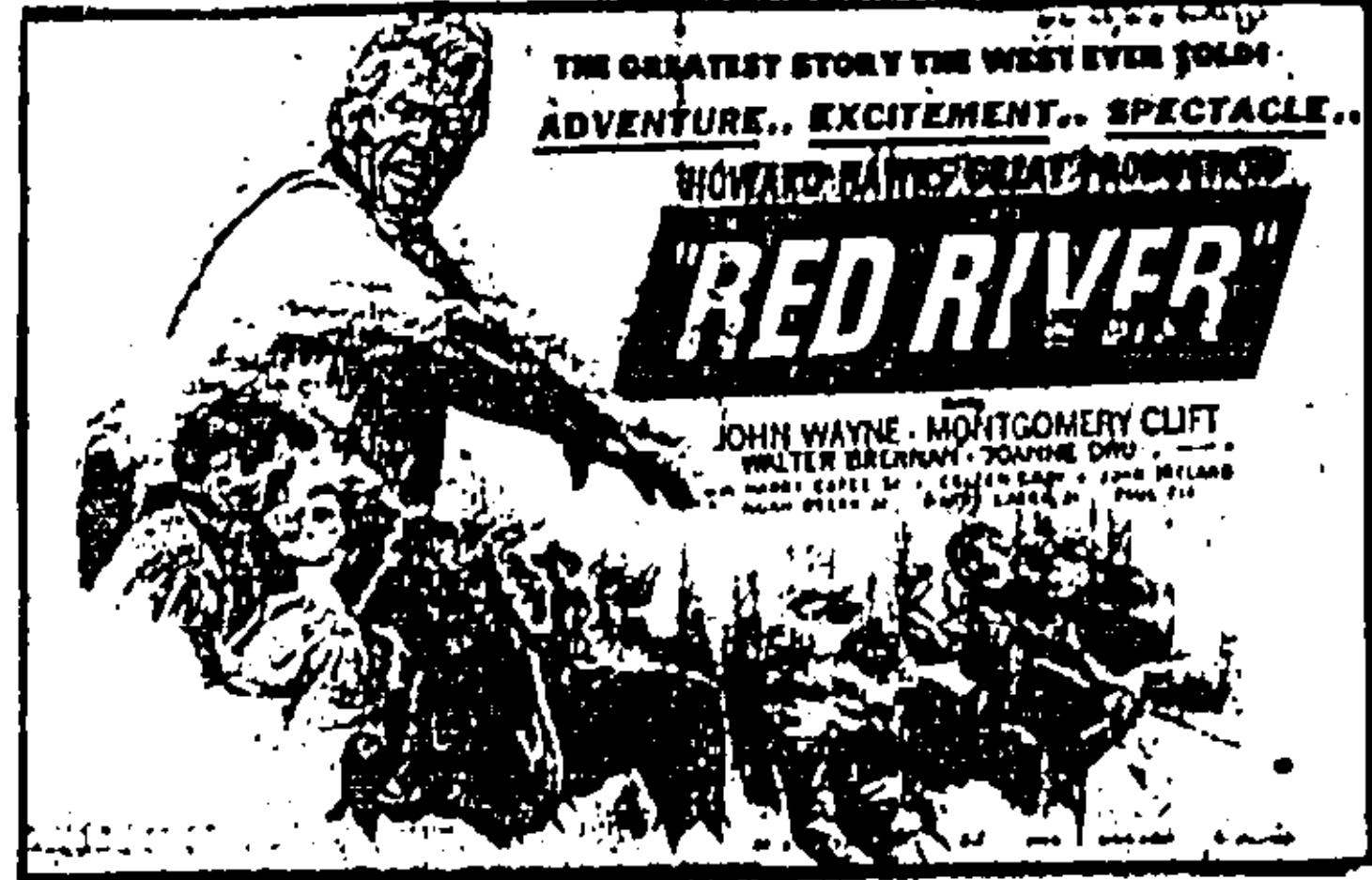
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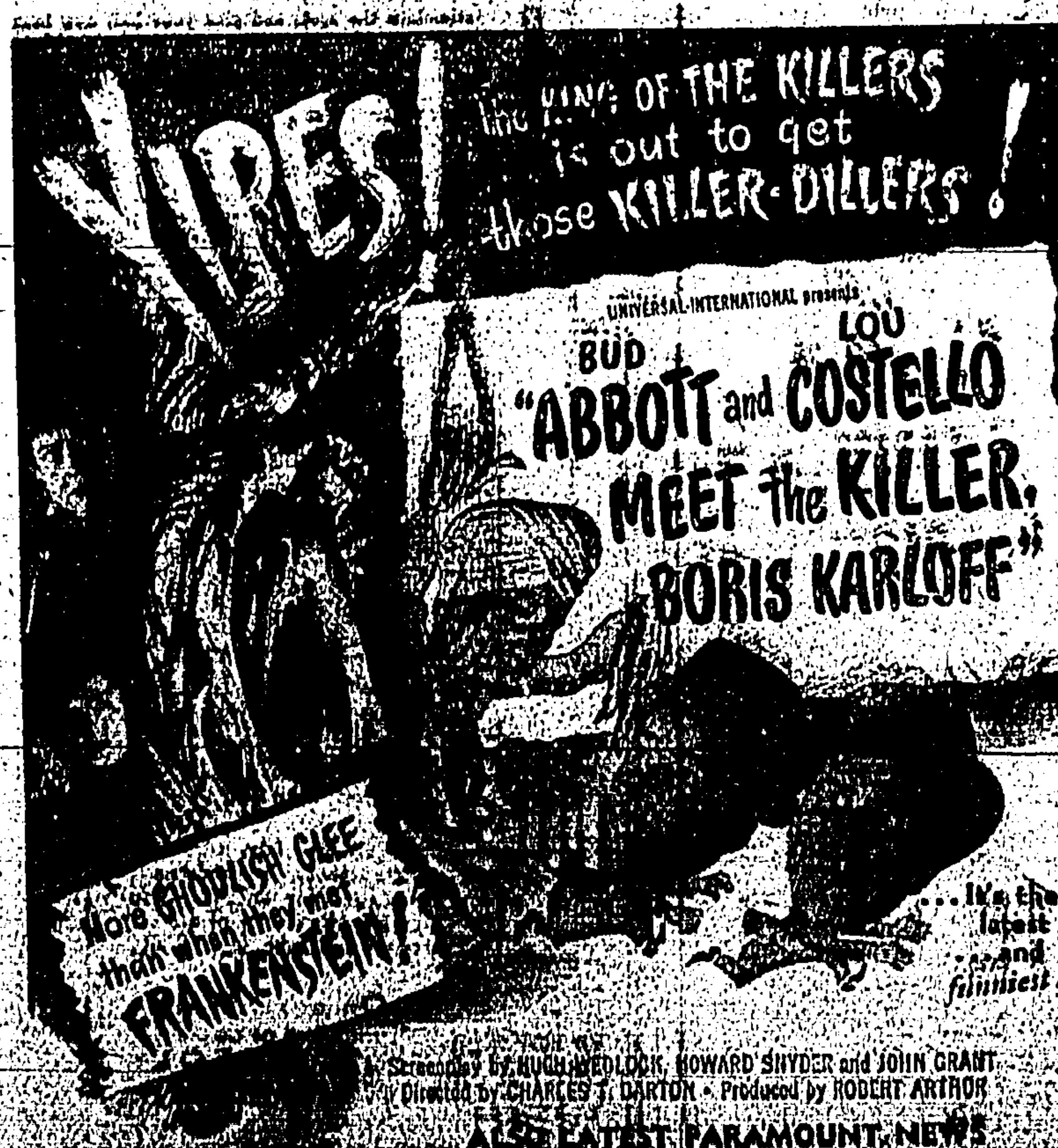
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BRITAIN-CHINA CONFERENCE CONDEMNS BLOCKADE, RAIDS

RADIO

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The Foreign Office would make no comment on a letter received yesterday from a representative body of British commercial interests in China seeking an interview with the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin. It was known, however, that a representative had an interview at the Foreign Office with a senior executive dealing with political aspects of Britain's relations with China.

Cables from Shanghai continue to stress "terrific propaganda value to the Communists" accruing from the Nationalists' stranglehold on the China coast. The messages said this is adding to the powerful propaganda resulting from the formal phrasing of the Sino-Soviet treaty.

They emphasize that the Chinese Communists are making no effort to break the Nationalist blockade and are extending no help to British or American interests which are confronted in immediate liquidation mainly as a result of the blockade and inordinate wage claims by the Communists.

Shanghai messages also said the Communists did not bother to put up any air defences when American Liberators, bombed the city.

Raids welcomed

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8.00—News & Weather Report.
8.15—Orchestra.
8.30—Morning Music.
9.00—Harmony Hall.
10.15—Festival of Waltzes.
10.30—Church Service.
Light Music.
Organ Melodies.

P.M.

12.00—"Buy Less Butts de la Reine".
12.30—Sports Results.
12.45—Lunch Time Music.
1.15—News And Weather Report.
1.30—Popular Concert.
2.00—Afternoon Musicals.
4.00—Curtain Calls.
4.15—Tea Time Tunes.
5.00—Music Hall Varieties.
5.30—March Berceuse.
6.00—Forrest Favolles.
6.15—A Special Feature for Children.
7.00—BBC News.
7.15—The Grade Field Show.
7.45—Listen to Leibert.
8.00—Burles of the Nations.
8.15—Sammy Kaye and his Orchestra.
8.30—"Wings of Darkness".
8.45—"Songs from the Show".
8.50—Local News.
9.15—"The Show for Today".
9.30—"London Playhouse".
10.00—Drama Rehearsals.
11.15—Mendelsohn's Violin Concerto in E.
12.00—Close Down.

Jap Diet members U.S. visit

Washington, March 3.

Fourteen members of the Japanese Diet paid a 30-minute visit today to the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson.

During the first 15-minute they heard Mr. Acheson express gratitude to their visit and hope they found it valuable. Mr. Acheson then posed with members of the delegation for photographers in the diplomatic reception room at the Department. He gave an autograph to each member of the delegation.

Accompanying the Japanese were the Under-Secretary of Army, Mr. Tracy Voorhees, Colonel George Lynch, chief of Voorhees' re-orientation section, Mr. John Allison, chief of the Department's Office of North East Asian Affairs, Mr. Joseph Ballantine, former head of Far Eastern Affairs, and Dr. J. Williams, representative of General MacArthur.

Mr. Voorhees told newsmen after the meeting that he believed that the six weeks were successful beyond all expectations. He expressed gratification that the members received a very cordial welcome throughout the United States and noted that even a "minor" incident such as the refusal of the Boston City Council to admit them was of value in explaining the United States to the Japanese, because it showed them that a minority group has every right to express its opinion in any way it wants to.—United Press.

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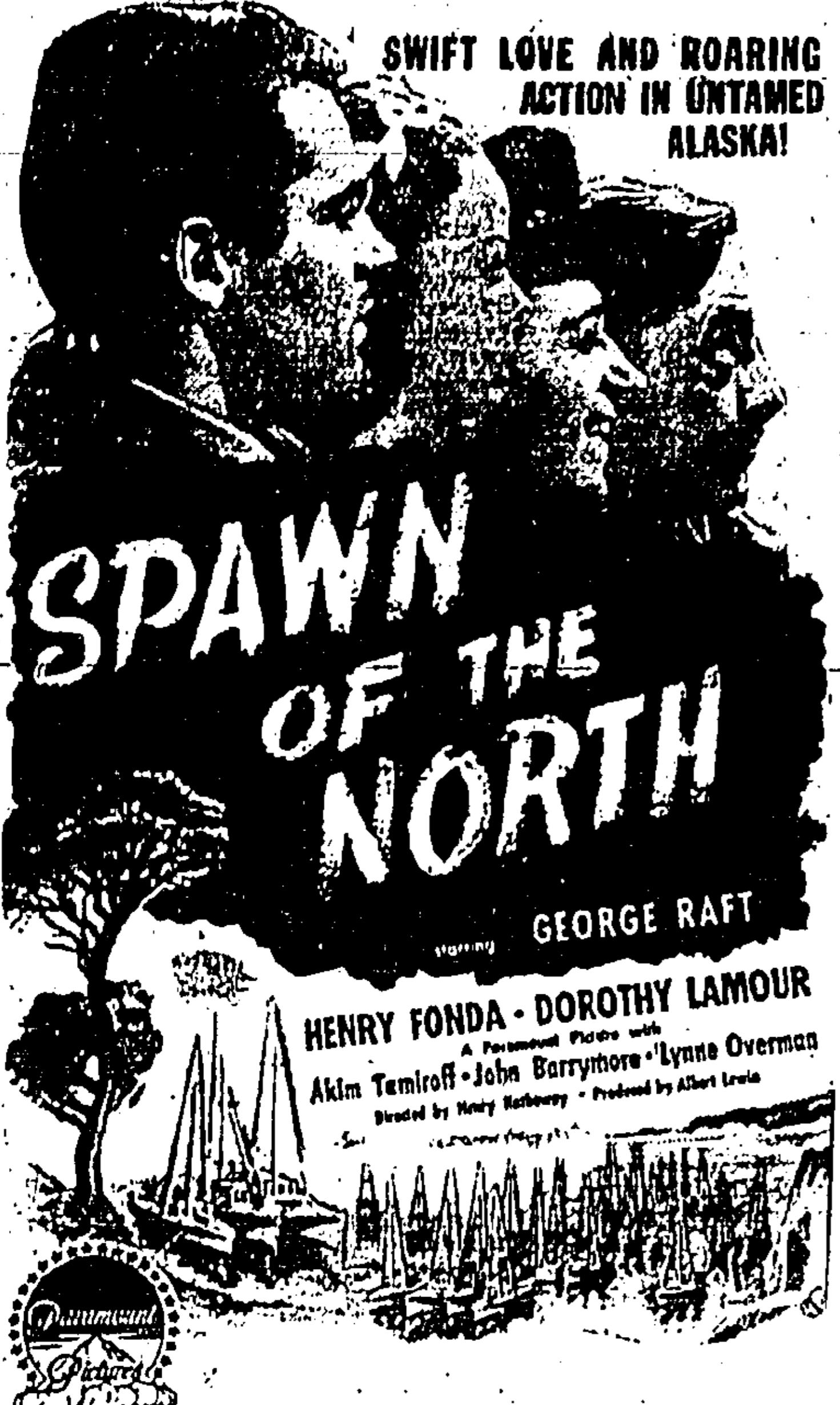
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Full programme

A heavy programme of public engagements faces the King, who has returned to London from Sandringham. After the State opening of Parliament on March 6, the French President and Mme. Auriol arrive the following day on their State visit. A week later His Majesty will conduct the New Year's Honours List investiture.

In the weeks that follow, the King has arranged to attend the presentation of shamrock to the Irish Guards on St. Patrick's Day the tercentenary parade of the Coldstream Guards and the presentation of colours to the Parachute Regiment.

Also on His Majesty's engagement list are visits to Sherborne and Westminster public schools and attendance at the Football Association Cup Final, the British Industrial Fair, and the Royal Tournament. And in May there will be three presentation parties at Buckingham Palace.

Royal banquet

When the President of the French Republic and Mme. Auriol entertain the King and Queen at the French Embassy in London on March 9, it will be the first occasion a President of the Republic has been host at the new Embassy.

On all former occasions of a similar character the banquet has been held at the old Embassy at Albert Gate. This was damaged during the war, and it was only recently that the Ambassador took over his new headquarters near Kensington Palace.

One problem facing the Ambassador at the moment is whether he will have enough banqueting plate for the occasion. This will probably be overcome by bringing over the famous plate from Paris, thus following the practice of Ambassadors when entertaining distinguished persons before the war.

It was news for Queen Mary

A letter out of the blue from a British subject in Australia has just reminded Court historians of a fact which they have surprisingly overlooked.

It is that Her Majesty Queen Mary is the oldest Queen that Britain has known.

The Queen Mother herself did not know that she had attained this distinction until told by her private secretary last week—nearly a year late.

Queen Victoria, who was born in Kensington Palace on May 24, 1819, was four months short of 82 when she died. Queen Mary born in the same room was 82 on May 24 last.

Average age of sovereigns since the time of William the Conqueror to King George the Fifth is 54.

Queen Mary at the moment is at Marlborough House recovering from an attack of sciatica. Her next official engagement is the State banquet at Buckingham Palace on March 7 in honour of the French President, M. Vincent Auriol.

Memory suite

Four sunny rooms overlooking the gardens on the ground floor of Buckingham Palace keep alive the memory of Leopold of the Belgians, to whom Queen Victoria wrote affectionately as "Dear Uncle Leopold". They are known as the Belgian suite.

LONDON LETTER

Decorators are now making them ready for the State visit of the French President and his wife. Two are furnished in French style, and in the Orleans bedroom which the French President and his wife will occupy is a priceless Louis XVI gilt bed. Rest of the furniture is in mahogany.

The curtains were made from old green damask silk found by Queen Mary hidden in Palace storerooms. The President's writing desk belonged to another Queen Mary—the wife of William III.

Queen Mary also had a hand in furnishing the sitting room in the suite. She picked out pieces of Regency furniture from all over the Palace.

served as the jubilee of its foundation.

The King will distribute the shamrock personally and, as usual the green emblem will be a gift from the Princess Royal.

There will be a special parade at Chelsea barracks, dinners, a regimental ball, and general jollification. To attend these Field-marshals Lord Alexander will fly over to London from Canada.

He is the Colonel of the Irish Guards, the King being Colonel-in-Chief. Their march in St. Patrick's Day, their motto "Quis Separabit", and their nickname, "Bob's Own", commemorates the fact that Lord Roberts was their first colonel.

London Mod

A revival of London's Gneife Mod is being planned for June, after an interval of 11 years. This will be the 14th Mod to be held here, and already the London Gaelic Society is busy preparing the competition lists and selecting judges.

Mr. Hamish Graham, president of the society, tells me that copies of the syllabuses for the literary and art sections are being sent to schools, colleges and various institutions in Scotland, "as well as to the Scottish organisations here. The Mod promoters are hoping for substantial support from the public."

The Mod will reach its climax on June 10, when the competition finals will take place in the Royal Scottish Corporation Hall, Fetter Lane.

Keen

Interest in the Gaelic language here has been quickened in recent months by Gaelic evening classes run at the City Literary Institute.

This is the first time Gaelic has been included in the curriculum and now, half way through the session, attendances are good. Mr. Graham, as teacher, is finding that there are more people here who want to learn Gaelic than it is possible to handle, due to lack of instructors.

Students at the classes are mostly London Scots or Londoners with Gaelic antecedents. There is also a sprinkling of Scandinavians whose interest has been stirred while holidaying in the Highlands.

One of the brightest and keenest pupils is a young man from Poland who, says Mr. Graham, is mastering the pronunciation exceedingly well.

Fund to preserve famous "Wooden Wall"

An appeal is to be made to raise a fund of £80,000 to help save HMS Calliope, the famous wooden Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve drill ship due to be replaced this year by the sloop Falmouth.

Captain A. H. Davies R.N.V.R., Captain of the Division where HMS Calliope is stationed, has written to the Admiralty asking

Fighting Irish

It was the gallantry of Irish regiments, not least the famous Dublin Fusiliers, during the South African War that caused Queen Victoria to form a regiment of Irish Guards.

So this St. Patrick's Day, March 17, when shamrock is officially issued to all ranks in that fine regiment, will be especially ob-

Crime wave

A wave of crimes of violence is giving the police, the judges and magistrates cause for serious thought. Last week a judge expressed regret that he was not in a position to order flogging, which was the obvious treatment for a couple of men whose crime appalled him.

Some chairmen of juvenile courts have spoken of the number of cases which come before them where the most appropriate remedy would be a little physical punishment. It is gangster crime which, of course, causes most apprehension, and this London seems to get more than its share.

Women are becoming afraid to open their doors to people who ring or knock after dark. In one London suburb more than a dozen attacks have been made recently on girls returning home alone late at night, and similar outrages, in some cases by masked men, have occurred in other Metropolitan areas.

Tough teen agers

The tougher the better. That is how the teen age youngster likes his reading material. He has no time for Kipling. The jungle of the Chicago underworld offers more attraction.

It is the gangster stories and the murder mysteries that are the most-thumbed books in youth club libraries today. Life as portrayed by Hollywood has provided the taste for this sort of literature.

When the London Council of Social Service discussed the question the other day, a welfare worker, a librarian and a woman writer all admitted that the "good old books" are out of fashion.

Top of the poll in boy's reading today it appears, no Leslie Charteris' stories of "The Saint", "Tarzan" in all shapes and forms is also eagerly sought, as are the works of Agatha Christie and Sidney Horler.

Wapping Wdy

The London County Council parks committee have had a happy inspiration. They propose creating a new pleasure ground, with the customary amenities, down Wapping Way.

Now Wapping, though it boasts one of the most famous and popular taverns in all London, where you may quaff stout ale in a gallery overlooking the Thames, is otherwise rather a desolate and gauntly drear neighbourhood, and nowhere could a genuine pleasure, fresh with grass, flowers and trees, be more gratefully created.

Wapping has, of course, its historical memories. It was at Wapping that the bodies of hanged mutineers were wont to dangle. Executive Dock, as it is ill-known, was also the scene of the end of the celebrated Captain Kidd.

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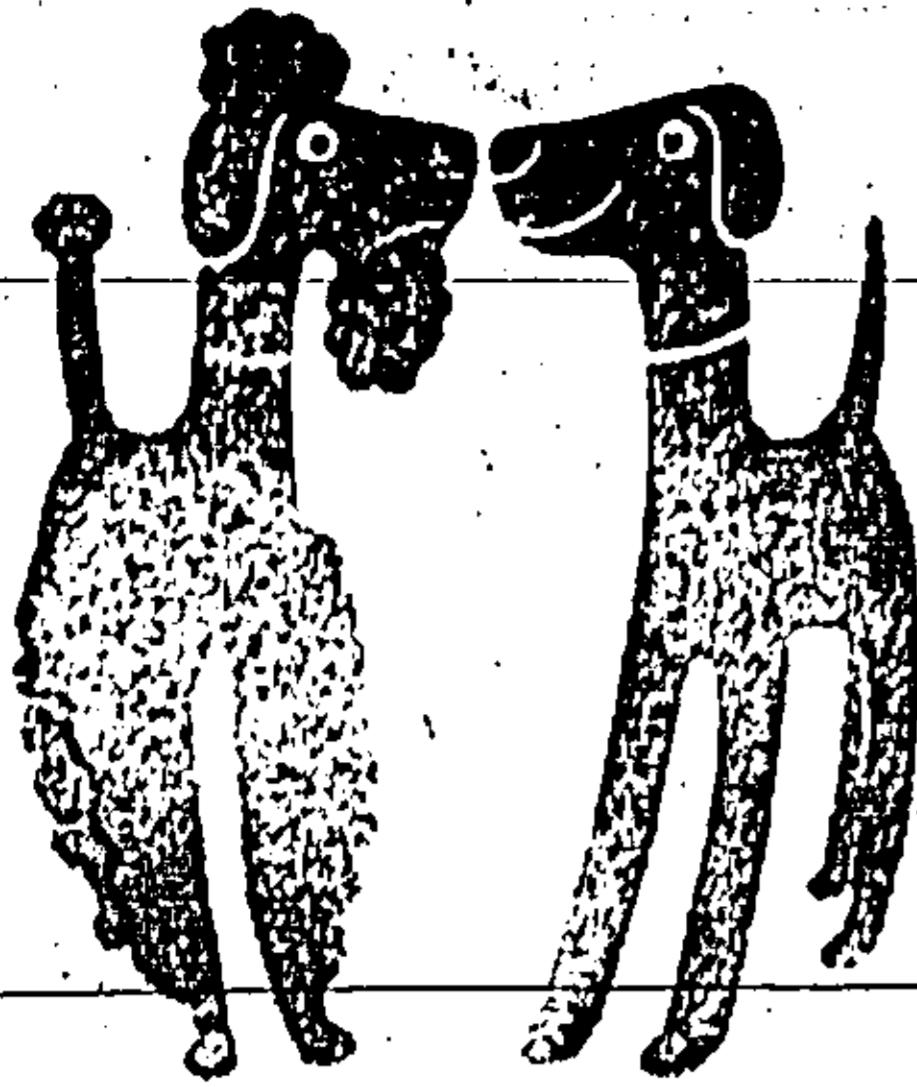
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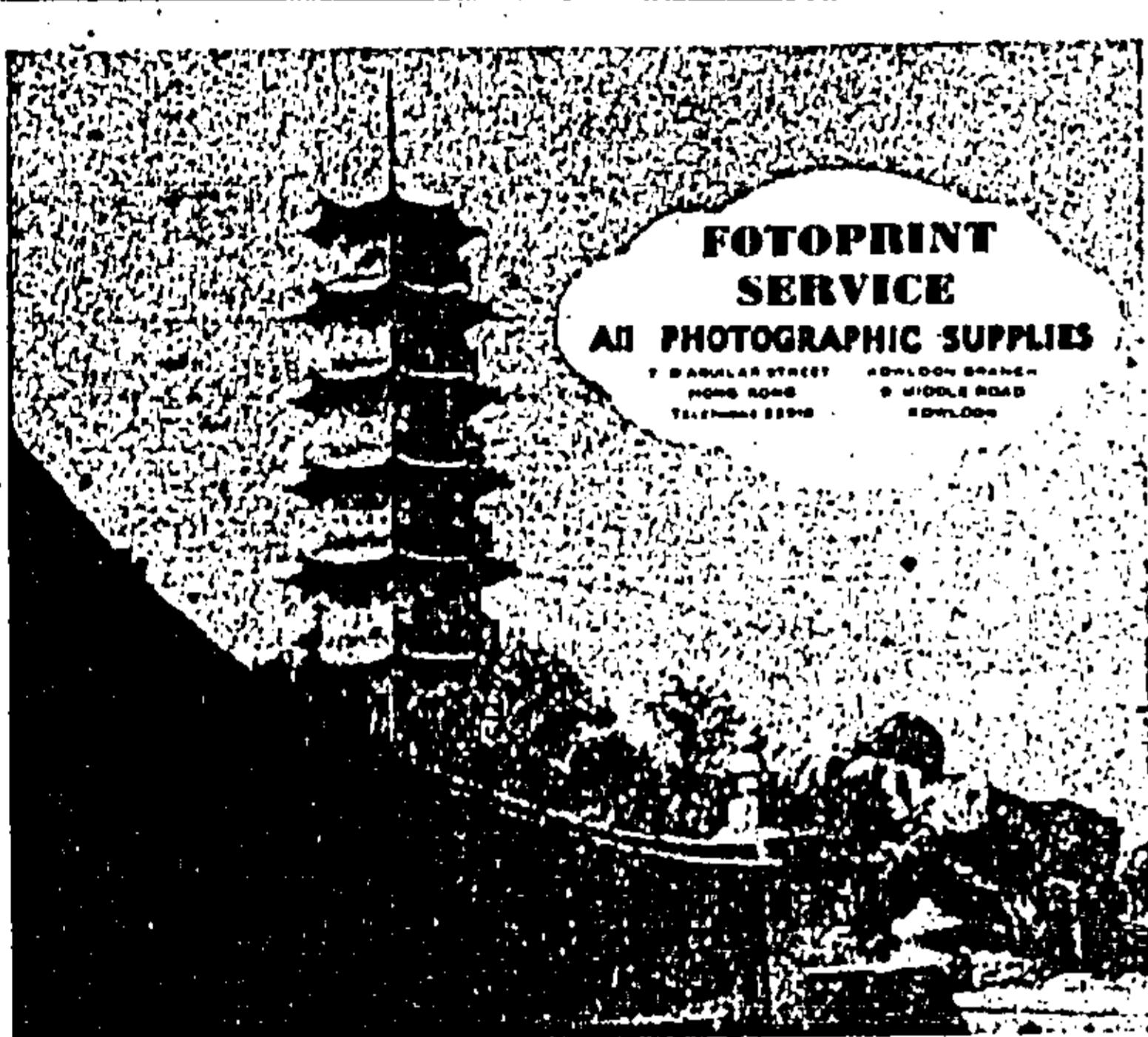


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ASSETS		
Bonds—Government, municipal, public utility and other	Can. \$1,132,518,050.33	
Stocks—Preferred and guaranteed	24,565,694.85	
Stocks—Common	73,803,390.15	
Mortgage loans on homes, industrial plants, etc.	157,592,996.22	
Real estate, (including Company's buildings)	1,005,190.01	
Loans to policyholders on their policies	60,575,174.23	
Outstanding, and, deferred premiums	21,673,315.00	
Interest and rents due and accrued	12,229,228.51	
Cash	17,255,661.32	
Other assets	2,384,273.84	
	Can. \$1,527,515,783.86	

LIABILITIES		
Reserves on assurances	Can. \$921,984,425.00	
Reserves on annuities	283,260,460.00	
	\$1,205,234,885.00	
Policy proceeds and other amounts left at interest for future distribution to policyholders and beneficiaries	151,165,171.37	
Amounts set aside for Company retirement plans	26,417,233.80	
Death claims reported for which proofs had not been received prior to December 31st	8,601,094.45	
Provision for unreported claims	3,957,641.00	
Matured endowments, annuity and dividend payments awaiting discharge	6,829,921.37	
Dividends payable to policyholders during balance of dividend year and dividends contingently allotted	6,162,310.11	
Taxes, commissions, medical fees, etc., due and accrued	7,225,084.42	
Miscellaneous reserves and liabilities	6,631,231.51	
Accident and sickness insurance fund	200,019.18	
Shareholders' account	2,505,422.03	
Capital	\$ 2,000,000.00	
Contingency reserve	15,000,000.00	
Surplus	82,335,308.32	
	100,835,868.32	
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U.S. FLEET WILL SHOW THE FLAG IN VIETNAM

Russia can make atom bomb attack

Washington, March 3. The Secretary of the United States Air Force, Mr. W. Stuart Symington, has warned Congress that Soviet-Russia will soon be able to launch an atomic attack in significant strength.

His testimony to this effect before a House of Representatives Appropriations Sub-Committee at recent closed hearings of the Air Force's 1951 Budget requests has just been released for publication.

Mr. Symington also told the Committee that Russia has aircraft which can carry an atomic bomb to any part of the United States and return home.

"Except in one or two categories, their aircraft production is considerably greater than this country's and growing every day," he said.

General Fairchild, Vice-Chief of Staff, told during the same hearings that any war between the United States and Russia might well be initiated by an intense period of atomic bombing."

The United States, he said, must do everything to develop its defences against possible attack.

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committee it seems that it will soon be a Russian capability to launch an atomic attack in significant strength.

Major General D. L. Putt, Director of Air Force Research and Development, testified that the Air Force sees a possibility that in the not too distant future all conventional military aircraft will be replaced by guided missiles.

President Truman said at a news conference yesterday that the United States defences are the strongest they have ever been in peacetime. There is not one way of truth to charges that economic setbacks have dangerously weakened the army, navy and air force.

Mr. Symington told the sub-

committee under questioning that the air forces present 48 groups cannot be maintained in modern

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Washington, March 3. The United States Navy will show the flag this month in Indo-China's state of Vietnam, current South East Asia hot spot in the cold war. Ships and planes of the Seventh Fleet will visit Saigon, capital of the French sponsored state, from March 16 to 20, government sources disclosed. They will render full naval honours to the Vietnam Chief of State, former Emperor Bao Dai of Annam.

Vice-Admiral Russell S. Berkey, Seventh Fleet Commander, will be on board the Destroyer Stickell. His flagship will be accompanied to Saigon by the Destroyer Anderson.

The Naval demonstration for the state recently recognised by the U.S. will be climaxed by a full-scale air review over Saigon by planes from the aircraft carrier Boxer. The 27,000-ton vessel will anchor off the Indo-China coast, about 25 miles down river from Saigon.

French regulars and Foreign Legionnaires have been warning with Communist led rebels in Indo-China since the Japanese pulled out after their surrender in 1945.

The lines of the cold war were

Refugees stranded on border

Bonn, March 3. Poland and the Soviet Zone authorities were moving about 250,000 German refugees to the West German border, an authoritative Allied source said here tonight.

This was 10 times as many as

the Allies had agreed to accept, he said, explaining reports from Goettingen, in the British Zone, earlier today that 700 refugees were stranded on the Soviet side of the border because the authorities refused to admit them into the British Zone.

Transfer of 25,000 Germans was arranged after negotiations to which the British Zone authorities were a party, he said. They were mainly people who, living in those parts of Poland which till the end of the war were German, had not opted for Polish nationality. They wanted to join their relatives in West Germany.

The source said it was difficult to avoid the conclusion that Poland in this manner hoped to get rid of a large number of its German-speaking population.

"But they have now split into two groups, the larger of which is believed to be going to ask for a continuance of a quiet life under some form of British management, possibly through union with the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan.

"This last suggestion, while not

viewed with any special enthusiasm by the various authorities in Khartoum, would not be unacceptable to Great Britain or to Egypt.

"But it would be greatly disliked by Ethiopia, which claims that all Eritreans are Ethiopians

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and which has so far obtained enough international support to evade the sensible solution, which is partition of the territory," the weekly said. —Reuter.

Doll rescued, but baby dies

Oklahoma City, March 3. A two-year-old baby girl was suffocated in a fire here as a smoke-blinded fireman carried her large baby doll to safety by mistake. The child was alone in the apartment when the fire began. The fireman, Bob Colby, said: "I could not see a thing because of the smoke, but I felt something wrapped in a blanket. When I pulled it off the bed, it cried just like a baby. When I got outside I saw it was just a doll—a big baby doll that cries."

Colby made a third attempt and found the little girl, but she died later. —Reuter.

Reds to undertake land reforms, Peking Radio says

San Francisco, March 3. The Communist authorities in China are to undertake land reform and the collection of public grain in newly liberated areas, Peking Radio reported tonight.

A directive, signed by the Prime Minister, Mr. Chou En-lai, has been published by the Government Administration Council of the Central People's Government.

This directive says, in part: "Distribution of the land in all newly liberated areas will not be carried out before the autumn harvest of 1950. Those parts of 12 provinces where preparation has been adequate and the level of understanding and organisation among the masses is appropriate, redistribution of the land may be started upon the decision of the Provincial People's Government. In these provinces (Kiangsu, Chekiang, Anhwei, Fukien, Kiangsi, Hupeh, Hunan, Kwangtung, Shensi and the parts of Kansu, Ninghsia and Chinghai populated by the Han nationality), the Provincial Government may also decide to defer the land distribution until the autumn of 1951 if they consider the preparations inadequate."

"Rent reduction should be carried out in all newly liberated areas before the distribution of the land. Until that time, landlords may continue to collect the reduced rent but may not sell or otherwise dispose of their land. Sale of land between peasants is not prohibited because their land in any case will not be confiscated or distributed."

Sabotage prohibited

"Land may not be permitted to run to waste in the meantime and neglected land of landlords may be returned to others or used by the local government. Sabotage, killing of draught animals, wrecking of implements and so on are also prohibited."

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The 24-year-old Prince has made it clear that he will not give up any of his land, and scores of armed men are now patrolling the 40-mile road which encircles his estate at Fucino.

In Rome, it is feared that if the Torlonia peasants seize land on his estate at Fucino, North of Rome,

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THE GERMAN EXPORT DRIVE

German firms are being subsidised by their government to put "Made in Germany" back on the map in an all-out export drive for dollars.

Combined pressure of two million unemployed and American reminder that dollars do not grow on trees have at last put some ginger into Germany's foreign trade efforts.

British exporters should watch the Germans once they get going. Low wages and competition in the labour market of millions of penniless refugees streaming in from the East may help German manufacturers to squeeze their prices down below world levels before long.

First step to get into the U.S. market is an allocation of £350,000 to set up a dollar export research bureau in Washington.

Combined with the export drive is a cleverly thought-out "squeezing campaign" that the British are trying to prevent Germany competing in world markets.

German newspapers allege daily that Britain is Germany's "arch export foe" and is using her position as an occupying power to steal orders from German firms. They say openly that British officials tell British firms when German firms are asked to tender. According to the Germans this enable the British firms to put in lower bids and so secure the business.

A German manufacturer said the other day: "The British have started using their famous secret service to ferret out our latest trade secrets because they find it less easy to find out what we are doing than they did immediately after the war."

Persecution neurosis

Apart from their persecution neurosis the Germans are really setting about capturing world markets with a will. In 1949 their exports to U.S. amounted to £1,000,000—70 per cent rise on 1948. But they still have a long way to go to reach the 1923 figure of £300,000,000. This week a German trade delegation arrived in Lisbon to try and sell "Made in Germany" to the Portuguese.

In Egypt Krups of Essen put in tenders for the big power station to be built for the Aswan Nile dam. They claim their tenders "cannot be beaten".

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British, U.S. French, Swedish, Italian and Swiss firms are competing for the order. Krups added as an inducement that their workers are "disciplined" recently booked by a Bavarian firm.

Italy under a new trade agreement is buying £1,000,000 worth of German dyes, sheet iron, scrap

castings and prefabricated houses. The Germans are also opening a Chamber of Commerce in Rome with a trained staff to "sell" German goods to the Italians.

Further competition

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and can be relied not to strike or cause trouble on the job."

They have told the Egyptians that they are willing to take a considerable amount of payment in cotton which Egypt is finding hard to sell.

In Frankfurt, where the Germans have their export shop window, the "export-import

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Last year Eastern Germany sold £2,000,000 worth of portable typewriters, accounting machines, sewing machines, cinema projectors and cameras to Sweden, Denmark, Holland and Italy. In addition to the Soviet satellite countries where most of their business is done, the East German Communists also claim to have booked large orders from America for Zeiss cameras now made in Jena in the Soviet zone. In the same city the Russians are producing penicillin at the rate of 120,000 million units a year at 12/- per million units. Surely it is a unique tribute to an author whose name, officially, is never mentioned. The traditional mystique is that Holmes and Watson are so much more real than their creator that except by privilege from the Chair (known as The Gasogene) the Agent is never mentioned by name.

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The fundamental doctrine of the B.S.I. when they set aside for an evening the irrelevant trivialities of their own lives, is that the Holmes-Watson saga (officially denominated by Mr. Elmer Davis "THE SACRED WRITINGS") is more actual and more timely, than anything that pens to ourselves or happened to its mortal mouthpiece. The greatest art is the annihilation of art.

I once went to Somerset House, or whatever it's called, to "search" the will of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle. I couldn't help wondering whether in his final testimony he had made any mention of his humble passports to immortality.

I paid my shilling (just as Holmes used to at "Doctors Commons") and read the document, in his own clear masculine hand—so like the map of the Priory School neighbourhood. Not a word about the incubus Holmes and yet Holmes, even in profile and robe and headgear is pretty nearly the Dante of our modern inferno.

With profound insight the

ed. But the Germans hope to capture some of those export markets and they are prepared to work hard for long hours to achieve their aim. And their products are getting better and cheaper day by day.

As part of their "Unite Germans" propaganda the Communists' Ministry of Trade has announced that it will pass on to West German firms any orders which the nationalised factories in the Soviet zone are unable to carry out. West German firms, unwilling to fall for this crude Communists' propaganda, are nevertheless toying with the idea of closer collaboration with the Eastern zone where it can be profitable. So far the Communists have failed to keep their promises and the advantage has been mostly one-sided.

Australia has offered German exporters good prices for poplin for making raincoats, and from the Argentine has come a demand for a variety of "Made in Germany" articles, including seamless pipes, gauze salts and eccentric presses. An order from US for 300 light motorcycles was

exchanged this week offered the world German machinery, artificials, fabrics, electrical equipment, tools, cars and lorries, toys and handicrafts.

Some of these goods the Germans are finding hard to sell. Turkey is one of the countries anxious to "buy German", but the Turks want steel for reinforced concreting, paint and tools. The Turks are choosy. So far the Germans have only been able to sell goods worth \$2,800,000 to Turkey to offset imports valued at over £10,000,000. Frankfurt has reported that Wes Africa was asking for German tenders for glassware, cameras, hurricane lamps and kitchenware.

The German Communist government has announced its first export-drive move—it is opening export bureaus in a number of capitals outside the Iron Curtain countries. Amsterdam, Stockholm are to be the first.

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Holmes is an A.I. export

By Christopher Morley

On a foggy and drizzling evening in January, 1950, at a club in New York City, 50 men drank a standing toast. It was in regret and homage to their own hoodoo that was occasioned by the soon approaching demise of "The Strand Magazine." Some 30 of the convives were members of the Baker Street Irregulars, a club whose membership is limited to 60—the number of the Sherlock Holmes stories.

The others were delegates from "seclunist" societies, viz., satellite chapters from other faubourgs or cities, of which there are about 30.

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Myself, I do not wholly agree with the tradition that A.C.D. should never be formally mentioned. I loved him long before his hench and assigns and agents were born, and I find in his writings the most delicious asymptotes to the Holmes-Watson Codex. As I have often said, how ridiculous he was only knighted—he should have been sainted.

What on earth can beat Shakespeare? Anxiety and toll? Not aspirins, nor treble gins. Nor love, nor mineral oil. My only drug is a good long slug of Tincture of Consol Doyt.

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A distinguished visitor

At a time when all Asia is seething with Communist fever, much of Britain's hope of keeping the lush lands of South East Asia in the camp of the democratic nations rests on the diplomatic skill and charm of Mr. Malcolm MacDonald.

Described in recent American magazine article as the most noteworthy Englishman East of Suez, the Commissioner-General arrived in Hong Kong from Siam.

His political training stemmed from childhood, from the days when he attended plenary of the British Labour Party with his great father.

He has an easy attitude, and usually commands attention by the sheer lack of any overbearing pomposity. Mr. MacDonald's familiarity with the great names of London, and his exalted political connections, have helped to mellow an interesting character.

When the MacDonald family first came to Singapore they made their home in Penang and later at Bukit Serene in Johore Bahru, just over the causeway from Singapore.

While at Penang Mr. Mac-

Donald was able to spend many hours studying and photographing the bird life of Malaya. He is more than an amateur ornithologist. He has studied bird life since his days at Oxford, and if he could but choose he would make it his profession.

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Then the blow fell, because he was robbed of everything he had, immediately on arrival. When he was debating what to do on one of those hot Australian summer nights when the air is so oppressive that sleep is impossible, someone suggested that he should sign on a ship.

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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

By The SCRIBE

yet on the first rung of any ladder leading anywhere. What will he do?

An impulse led his steps to-wards a Salvation Army gathering, and after listening for 10 minutes to the speaker he was converted. He knew at once that he had found his destiny.

After "training" and some service as a Salvation Army officer in Australia, Colonel Waller came to China in 1921, going to Peking to study the language.

He married in 1922 and together with Mrs. Waller did evangelistic work in Hopei, Manchuria, Shantung and Shanghai.

The Wallers speak Mandarin fairly well. The Colonel, to his pleasure and surprise, found that he derived much more pleasure from this sort of life than he could possibly expect. He travelled extensively throughout China by cycle and on foot.

In 1930 he went to Harbin to investigate the White Russian position and saw more suffering and misery there than he had encountered anywhere in his life.

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ber of an Economic Mission headed by the veteran Washingtonite, Mr. Robert West, Deputy Under Secretary for the Army.

Another member of the team well known to Hong Kong-Japan traders was Jim Torrens, who has been one of Mr. Pickelle's benefactors since the Japan Trade

for visual education work, films, exhibitions and the like.

Discussing this part of the British Council's activities, Mr. Scott says that much of his task is indefinable in terms of fact and consists of liaison work and the establishment of personal relationships with the Chinese people.

Friendship to the Chinese is a necessary starting point for any kind of relationship between the two countries. This the Council tries to foster.

He came out to China inten-

tionally after a long absence in the country, an interest quickened by several years' war service in the Far East.

Mr. Scott and his charming wife were stationed in Nanking for the Council for A.W.O. and a long time. They were there when the Kuomintang armies fell back and the Communists took over. There were some hectic days.

The Communists were kind enough to differentiate between the Council's work and that of the Embassy, activities and the Scotts were permitted to continue.

The new regime made no attempt to interfere with British Council work, which was regarded as merely cultural.

However, the Scotts moved down to Shanghai and left

China in September last year, the General Gordon. They spent three months in England on furlough, and are now en route back.

Apart from Mr. Scott's official duties with the Council, his private and personal interests consist in making a pictorial record of contemporary Chinese life.

"In particular," he says, "people are my principal interest. He has made a study of the classical Chinese drama, in which he is intensely interested. At present he is making a pictorial record and doing research work for a proposed book on Chinese Theatrical Art."

Mr. Pickelle himself will prob- ably go down in the Far East's mercantile history as the one man who was game to make decisions and mistakes to set things rolling, and throughout his mind has been the most open of all officials in implementing General MacArthur's plan for the rehabilitation of Japan's trade. His door has been ever open to the smallest trader from almost unheeded-of countries, and in his official capacity he has guided and helped thousands of buyers and sellers to fit into the economic set-up of Occupied Japan.

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They are China-bound

Several people are in Hong Kong in transit to China. They cannot settle down in the Colony, and are anxious to return to the scene of their early endeavours. They are not daunted by unfavourable reports of conditions in Shanghai, Peking and Nanking.

Among such people are Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Scott, representatives of the British Council in Nanking, who are awaiting permission from the Communist authorities to get back to their job. They have been waiting patiently for three weeks, and are just beginning to find the delay irksome.

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Since that time music has become a passion with him, and his ambition is to awake the consciousness of his country to the beauty of music and its undisputed in the West.

He was born in Madras and is a graduate of the Shanghai Music Conservatory. His interest in music was first aroused when he was 17, when Madras Opera House of the Leipzig Conservatory introduced him to the great violinist Schumann and Dukas.

After hearing him sing a few well-known operatic arias, the General clapped appreciatively and said: "With the eight years of the Chinese war, I am glad to see that our country made great progress in many fields, but in the field of music I feel that a world standard has not been achieved."

After hearing him sing some years ago, he made a special trip to the Far East to study the cosmic market here, and made such a lasting impression on the people here that he gave a recital for the Chinese Opera House, which was well received.

Mr. Scott is now in Nanking, China, and is making a special trip to the British Institute of Engineering Technology, which is in North-West China.

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Electors pleased

By acting with despatch during the two months it has occupied the Treasury benches the Menzies Government has pleased the electors who sought a Government that would do something about things, and this satisfaction increased the gala atmosphere in Canberra when the 10th Federal Parliament was opened in traditional style.

Plenty overtime had been spent on the bill for the repeal of bank nationalisation simultaneously with one to restore the Bank Board which gives Parliament the responsibility for determination of the financial policy of the nation. In the business of doing first things first Prime Minister Menzies' biggest desire will be for the most favourable date for presentation to the people of the constitutional amendment to prevent any Government nationalising any undertaking without first holding a referendum.

Canberra back room boys say the Socialist objective is causing concern among middle-of-the-road Labour politicians, and a powerful and vocal bloc of rank and file party members. Labour today is in a spot and it will be interesting to watch the tactics of the Labour-dominated Senate as the Menzies-Fadden Government continues to fulfil its promises.

Chief concern of the Treasurer is the inflationary element which requires a full-blooded effort to halt the upward spiral. It is felt that Australian costs and prices have not yet reached the extreme danger level, but they are rising more rapidly than in any other English-speaking country. The windfall export monetary gains from devaluation have been accompanied by a less obvious but disturbing change in domestic costs, and this ominous increase is weakening the competitive basis of Australian industry, and, unfortunately, is likely to be more permanent in character than the current upsurge of export prices. The situation continuing, even a slight fall in monetary demand, as, say, a sag in export income, could have serious consequences.

Quite a large section of the community continues to grumble that the country hasn't a chance to forge ahead until the Australian £ is appreciated, but the postulate that living costs would be substantially reduced by appreciation is not encouraging when there is no suggestion of calculations in support of the argument. If the Government appreciates the Australian £ to parity with sterling manufacturers say they may as well reach for their hats and take to the open road because their stocks (in excess of £1 million) would be reduced overnight by 20 per cent and the injurious effect on industry would start the rot in export trade on a permanent basis which they have been at great pains to establish. Revaluation is seen also as a threat to the home market because there would be a flood of goods from the United Kingdom and European countries, most of which have deflated their currencies to help with their export trade.

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INSIDE INFORMATION

By Mercury

When facts are marshalled in leges of a British Passport, what more natural than that it should be changed again bringing the magic words once more to the fore.

The change will give proper emphasis to the fact that Australian passports are not only Australian, but are, as they have always been, British passports in the widest sense. The retention of the words 'Commonwealth of Australia' and the Commonwealth coat of arms gives distinction so that the passport will not be confused with those issued by other countries of the British Commonwealth.

TB check

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In fighting the scourge the Anti-TB Association plugs for early detection as the greatest weapon in the fight, and mobile units tour the country in the effort to help every citizen to help himself. Prior to the country-tours officers go ahead to pep up local interest through press, screen, and radio.

Although the association gets a small Government grant, most of the money needed to run its anti-TB activities about £50,000 a year, comes from public subscription. The mobile clinic consists of a £12,000 bus equipped with special X-ray equipment and operated by a driver-technician and an assistant under the supervision of the association's specialist, Dr. Leighton Anderson. Men and women attend on different days but children under 14 are not examined because medical opinion is that the rate of TB in this age group does not warrant it.

Those with any sign of the disease are notified within 14 days and must report again for a thorough overhaul. X-rays are kept in the association's city office and are available to the patient or his doctor. Results from the mobile clinic have proved so satisfactory that officials say that given 20 mobile units they could really stamp out the disease.

Diplomatic posts

Much speculation amongst back-bench Liberal members about the course the Government is likely to follow in making future appointments abroad since the news broke that No. 2 in the Liberal Party, Defence Minister Harrison, is to go to London as Resident Minister.

Mr. Harrison's appointment was Mr. Menzies' personal responsibility but he consulted the other members of his Cabinet who, with one exception, are known to be in favour. In the lobbies when Liberal and Country Party members met before the opening of Parliament, private members were talking of the consideration that should be given to future overseas appointments with the posts of Ambassador to Washington and High Commissioner to Canada to be filled.

Australians travelling in foreign countries are well aware of the prestige of a 'British Passport' and particularly so since the words were dropped last year to conform with the new Nationality and Citizenship Act.

Many complaints reached the Government from Australians travelling abroad of difficulties caused by the change in the passport, and as we are really British subjects with every right to participate in the prestige and privi-

lities of the appreciation of the Australian £ there is always much flag flapping about the £450 millions sterling to our credit in London balances even though perhaps these are not just as good as the figures indicate.

The cautious and critical make allowances for 'hot' money and commitments of a capital nature already entered into, and when they've gone through all the motions of put and take, that those who have the know-how with figures do with such devastating effect, we are left with the doubt as to whether the balance is materially in excess of £100 millions.

Human slide rule

While the committee of experts is busy on a plan for tax simplification a 20-year old human slide rule, Eric Blairstrom who is assistant secretary to the Victorian Taxpayers Association, has popped a comprehensive ready-reckoner plan on the Treasurer's table which really has the answers for what every tax-payer should know.

Four years ago Eric started as office boy, and he fairly rocked Canberra when he worked back through income tax cuts announced by Mr. Chifley and unearthed the hidden formulae. Finally it took him 40 hours to run out the simplified tax plan which is but the passing of a moment considering our tax system is probably the most complex in the world. While he is confident that the major part of the plan could not be improved he is equally confident that the Government will not accept the plan in toto because, young as he is, he has deduced that Government's just don't do that.

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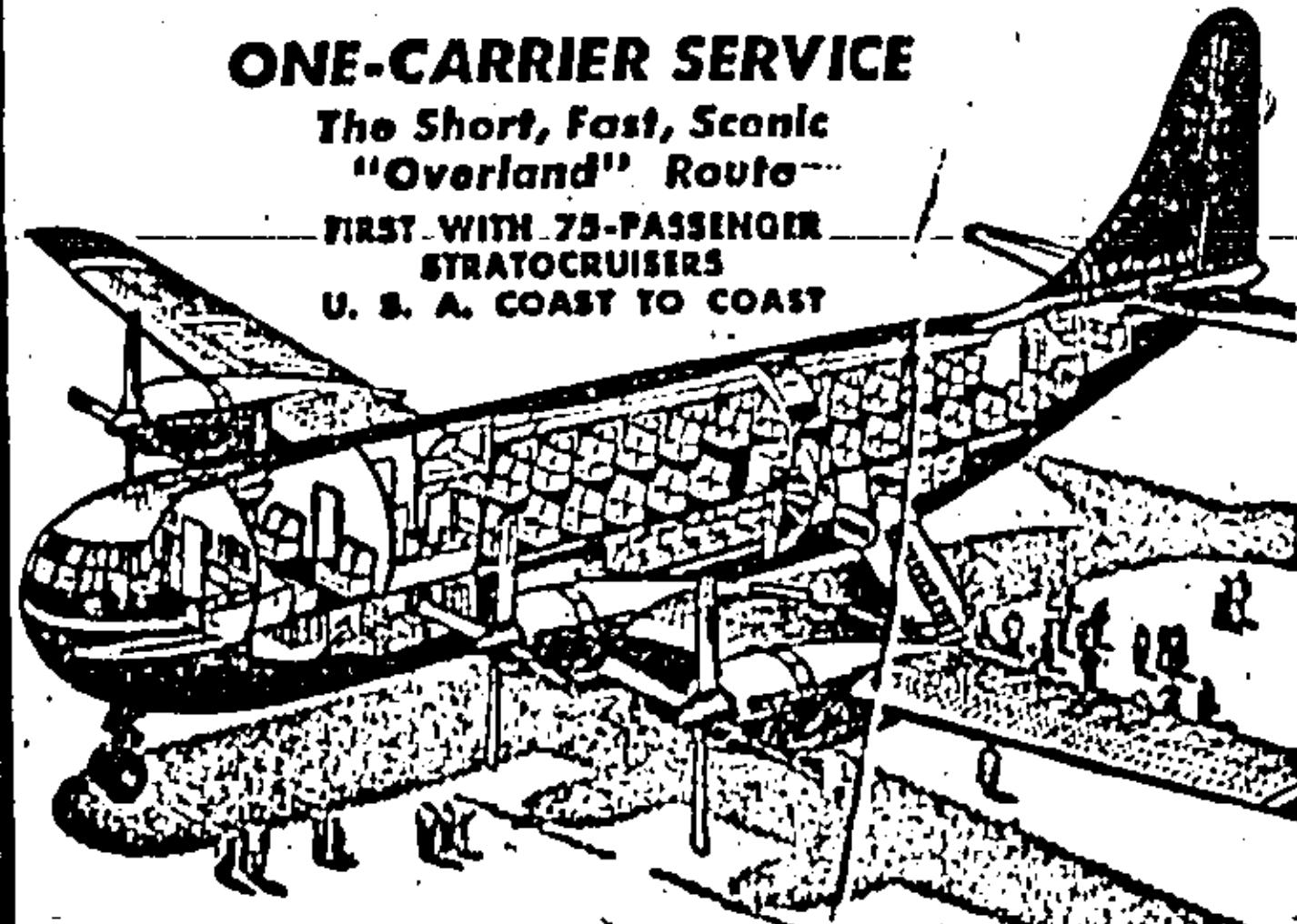
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THE BATTLE OF IDEOLOGIES

Other times and climates—other revolutions. This seems to sum up the reflections of our able contributor "Windrush" when he recently surveyed the Asian scene in the "China Mail". He was discussing the need of an ideology that would compete with Communism in the battle for the mind and future of the resurgent peoples of this Continent. It is a problem, he says, for the philosophers of Asia, and for those of the Western countries which hope to see South Asia saved from Russian control.

The processes of revolution and change differed in China and Japan because of different internal conditions. In Japan the impetus came from above, in China the process works up from below. The liberties and freedoms of the West are the fruit of its history and traditions. The agelong background of Asia is utterly different. It is steeped in an autocracy or theocracy sometimes benevolent but often despotic, cruel and ruthless. It is reasonable to assume that, in the passion for all things new, the East would zealously fasten on precisely those ideas of freedom from the West which are at once most strange to their own, and most basic in Western civilisation. In differing detail with differing environment, that has so far been true, in form and approach if not in substance.

Yet at present Communism seems to have a greater hold on the youth of Asia than any other doctrine available today. The mighty romance of the United States seems to have lost something of its great magnetism; in its political idealism, if not in its vast material achievements. But if extreme Capitalism has lost its appeal, there is the silent social Revolution in Britain to give sustenance to the claims of the West. Nor can the immense historical transformation in the Commonwealth which has occurred in Asia be without its claims on the ideals and aspirations of Asian youth.

Yet if we faced the truth fearlessly, most of us would admit a sense of discomfiture, if not a sense of something lacking, in the conflict of ideologies. Ours is a way of life, infinitely varied, that has proliferated upon certain distinctive foundations. Respect for the human personality and for personal liberty are fundamental characteristics. It is hard to reduce a way of life to a doctrinal thesis, that is what Marx and his followers have done for modern Communism, and thus facilitated the easy conversion of the bookworm.

But whether we regard Marxism as a Western heresy or a Eurasian product, a line has to be drawn between its economic doctrines and the Totalitarianism within which they have been imprisoned. The Western Socialist, who also believes in freedom, cannot be called a heretic; his lineage is too obvious and continuous. The Communists speak of Marx—they do not speak of Caesar save to denounce him. Totalitarianism is imposed, it is not preached as a faith. Even as a discipline it has no claim or aura of permanence. The Party line is insisted upon as an urgent need of immediate policy: a means to an end, not an end in itself. So also are the means whereby the acceptance of the electoral principle is sabotaged by the single list. The Communists, too, have

Dare to be a Daniel

Princess Elizabeth was so priggish, but they laid the foundations of all the social improvement on which we pride ourselves today.

The prig lives not according to convenience, or in the easy-going compliance of the majority, but according to principle, and because principles are more important than convenience.

Princess Elizabeth did well to speak against the fear of prigs. We are, of course, still under the influence of what we remember, or what we have read or been told, about our grandfathers and their rigid, intolerant, dictatorial ways; and because we are determined to avoid their faults, we have swung too far the other way and missed their virtues.

Parents, having given up thinking for themselves, are long-feel confident enough to check, chide, and—when necessary—to beat their children for vice behaviour. In industry the stern rule of the employer has been broken, but the Trade Unions, more powerful by far, have locked their members in to prevent him from locking them out; and that ignores a man's right to think for himself as drastically as ever an employer ignored his right to proper food and proper leisure.

And in the conduct of international affairs policy outvies principle time and again; policy will politely shake hands with bloody hands, and tear up its last year's promise to write a new one that will endure no longer—but the world no longer applauds a diplomatic victory as it used to, because the world, even our doleful and compliant world, has begun to realise the impermanence of political manoeuvres that are dictated only by opportunism.

There used to be a well-known revivalist hymn, a vulgar hymn that rose to a belligerent chorus, excellent for shouting in the streets.

Dare to be a Daniel.

Dare to stand alone!

Dare to have a purpose firm.

And dare to make it known!

Now to the properly taught citizen of the Welfare State, where to stand alone is to stand apart from the compliant multitude, that may seem a little

Mr. Acheson clarifies

In the absence of clear direction from above, opinions expressed in the Senate and the House of Representatives tend to vacillate under the impact of current events—at one moment the fall of Chiang's regime in China.

split personalities, and Stalin's Communism has become an Imperialist heresy.

There is a timeless competition between freedom and tyranny as between good and evil. We must not be unduly dismayed if in ebb and flow of this ageless conflict we seem to have entered a period in which the tide of freedom is at an ebb. It will flow again more strongly than ever, perhaps even in Russia. It may be said that Sun Yat-sen was the most representative Chinese of this age. He advocated a form of State Socialism in close liaison with the industrial nations, in a programme of development far beyond the scope or capacity of private individuals. But he was also committed to an immense form of democratic election which went right down to the very hamlet. The Chinese Communists have also envisaged a similar development, and Mao Tse-tung's recent study of the Soviet system of elections may not necessarily give him the last word upon it. The present ideology in China owes its domination less to widespread conviction than to its unity with the new power, which again is transient. Even in these things the tides are swift and ever-changing.

There is a time for everything under the sun. We have a sounder and stronger ideology in the great human freedoms than ever tyranny or totalitarianism possessed. Its appeal at the moment may not be so obvious as it was a generation ago. But it is latent, and it is already a formidable part of those ideas which the peoples are trying to digest. The Chinese will take their own time in creating their synthesis. The Party line is insisted upon as an urgent need of immediate policy: a means to an end, not an end in itself. So also are the means whereby the acceptance of the electoral principle is sabotaged by the single list.

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reactionary in its sentiment; and to some of the representatives of our doubtfully United Nations, anxiously weighing dreadful risks and their awful fears against some temporary and dubious advantage, it might sound like the voice of madness itself. But are they all good judges?

Past failures

Convenience and expediency have failed us in the past, and of themselves, are scarcely to be trusted in the future; but principle, so much neglected, might sound to our assistance refreshed by its long holiday.

There is muttering here and there, that new leadership is needed to maintain the old values of truth and justice, and private liberty; but leaders need the stiffness of principle, for no one can follow a contortionist.

How exhilarating, and what a change from the contortionists, would be a Daniel standing straight and resolute, and proclaiming the king-craft of sheer righteousness!

Into battle

How astonished we would be at the first words of his doctrine—how alarmed, perhaps—but then, with the rousing of a sense of purpose, with a reawakening knowledge of life's high seriousness and our own importance to it, every man's importance there would come surging up a great confidence—as it did so absurdly, it seemed, and so splendidly, in our year of loneliness in the last war—and before our new strength old hoary perils and whiskered menaces might cover and vanish.

These islands of Britain, we are told, would be the storm-centre of another war. Good! For if that is so, we are strategically well situated for opening the offensive, before war is declared; an offensive against lethargy and mere convenience, against spivs and empty politicos, against dreary acquiescence and all the ancient tyrannies, large and small, that have masked themselves with new lies to hide their horrid faces.

A benevolent offensive, and not for ourselves alone, but for all humanity, which everywhere is bedevilled by the same enemies, and the munition factories can start working tomorrow, for in your own conscience, Sir, and in yours, Madam, and yours too, my dear reformed Spiv, must the weapons be forged.

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HARD CASH PIMPERNELS

By Eric Bourne

RAF fliers in their journey back home were passed from group to group, from point to point on a carefully timed schedule. In much the same way these Czech organisations have sold their lines to the border.

They fix the day for the attempt to begin, and notify the person concerned to get his solitary bag packed. They give him only a few hours notice of actual departure time and then he is off; passed by road or rail, to a carefully chosen rendezvous near the border. Here other members of the line take over.

Accurate figures are not, of course, available, but according to one conservative estimate given me by a Czech source this year, not less than 300 Czechs have successfully crossed the heavily-guarded borders into Germany and Austria each month mostly with the help of these organisations. The figure may well be higher.

How many more make the attempt and are captured or turn back because of unexpected obstacles, no one can tell.

Escape in the first six months of Czech Communist rule was relatively easy. Passports had not been called in, many normal border crossing points were open and the "green" frontier was only lightly patrolled.

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The promoters of these escapes from behind the "iron curtain" are careful to take few risks themselves. They care nothing about politics and sit back and make money—big money—out of their unhappy countrymen.

Cheapest fee I heard of was 15,000 crowns (£107)—the "poor man's rate". It is called "Most expensive" was 40,000 to 50,000.

The price goes up according to the value of your baggage. One organisation even instituted its own "customers" to make sure it was not being deceived!

Prices are high but there is a much greater chance of escape under present conditions than by an ill-planned solo effort.

The actual routes? The surest are kept secret, even from the person making the escape.

Sometimes, though—but not now—it was the luggage boot of a car. Sometimes, during the winter days, the underneath of a coach on a confidential train. Sometimes stifling at the bottom of the hold on a laden coal-barge, on the Elbe.

But mostly it is still the secret paths through the woods or mountain known only to local woodsmen and shepherds. These men get paid well, for detection means several years in prison or a long stretch in a forced labour camp for themselves as well as their charges.

FOOTNOTE: This article would be sufficient in official Czech eyes to convict me of having contact with "anti-state" organisations. Under the Communists' Law for the Protection of the Republic—which applies to foreigners—I could go to gaol for "failure to inform" upon breach of the security law.

The truth is that in the last six months so many people were talking openly of their wish to leave the country that it was impossible not to learn something of the methods.

There were more reliable-based reports that dummy frontiers had been marked out inside the actual borders and that between the two lines Czech police lay in wait, masquerading in American army uniforms.

By the end of the summer, several organisations were known to be operating from headquarters in Prague, with branches at Pilzen in the West and Brno to the South East, the main jumping-off point for the escape run into Austria.

Both these characteristics—the elusive purpose and the willingness to suspend it in front of a stone wall—can be traced, as probably Mr. Acheson knows, very far back through Russian history.

They are exemplified throughout the long process whereby Tourism extended its sway from the region round Moscow to the whole of the vast Russian Empire. For the Tsars as for the Pottoburg today expansion was the law of their being; any weak neighbour was swallowed.

With Mr. Acheson's main argument about Russia's little fault can be found. And whether or not it works, out in regard to the atom bomb, it is not easy to see any alternative.

Any policy of declaring that the West would never use the atom bomb until Russia had done so would simply mean inviting the Kremlin to put all its atomic resources into staging a Pearl Harbour stroke from which there could be no recovery.

The danger in my case is that Russia, enjoying (as was pointed out last week) some special advantages in atomic weapons, could correspondingly difficult to persuade to abandon it. That difficulty could only be increased by any unilateral concessions on our part.

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Fabian of the Yard--No. 16:

HOST WALK BETRAYED THE FIRST CAT BURGLAR

By Superintendent Robert Fabian

Robert Augustus Delaney will be remembered at Scotland Yard as the man who started a new fashion in crime that was to become known as "cat burglary."

Two men died trying to imitate Delaney. "Irish Mac" impaled himself on spiked railings. "The Doctor" who should have known better fell 40 feet from a penthouse in St. James's. He had £10,000 of jewels in his pocket, and crawled grimly two miles before death froze him.

But Robert Augustus Delaney trod the crags and precipices of Park-lane's roofs with nonchalance, skill. He wore faultless evening clothes, could apparently climb the sheer side of a house. I think he imagined himself a kind of acrobatic Hafles.

He certainly made the great criminals of the past—like Charles Peace, who carried a collapsible ladder disguised as a bundle of firewood—look clumsy.

In his pocket was a slender steel foil like a putty-knife for slipping window-catches. It would also reveal jewel boxes.

Around his trimly tailored waist, Gustie Delaney coiled four yards of black silk rope.

When the rich and noble residents of Park-lane in 1924 were trooping splendidly to dinner, Delaney crouched beneath their windows, unwinding his gossamer rope. The tinkle of polished cutlery... or was it the clink of a dulled steel hook catching in balcony drain-gutter... and Gustie Delaney robbed their bedrooms like a wraith and departed, before coffee-wasted fragrance into the victim's drawing-room, and cigar smoke hazed the wine.

The thefts were reported to us in Vine-street, where I was a probationer detective, fresh from training school.

We questioned indignant shopkeepers, far haughtier than their masters. They knew nothing. Next week, another robbery from a Park-lane bedroom—and so on at weekly intervals.

He had netted £30,000.

It was not really my case, nor was my probationer pal, Tommy Symes (now chief-inspector), assigned to it. We sat sipping police canteen coffee one night, waiting to go out on a routine club raid. But the Park-lane mystery burglaries intrigued us more.

One each week for the past five weeks, I said. "A total of £30,000. He should be ready to retire soon. And none of us will have caught a whiff of him."

Tommy leaned forward. "Keep it to yourself," he murmured. "I've been making a sort of map..."

I had to laugh. "So have I, Tommy!" We compared efforts. Both of us had the same idea. A map of Park-lane district, indi-

cating those houses where residents were known to be outstandingly wealthy, and where the dining-room could be kept under observation.

"And it looks as if he's working in some sort of sequence, too," I said quickly. "See—top-end of Park-lane, then the bottom end, then St. James's. Fourth burglary at the bottom end..."

"And the next one around here!" Tommy's broad thumb covered Arlington-street at the Ritz Hotel corner. "It might be to-night," he added.

A dark figure crept along

We left the canteen, went into the C.I.D. main room. The duty inspector called: "Oh, you two. That club job—it's off for to-night. We shan't be needing you." We looked at each other. "It was a crisp, starlit October evening, just gone dark. 'Care for a bit of fresh air, Tommy?'" I asked casually. He grinned. "Green Park is it?"

Concealed in the shadow and

behind him. I heard excited voices—then the repeated thud of sturdy shoulders at an equally sturdy thick-mahogany door.

The thief had jammed it with a wooden wedge, ready for such an emergency. He reappeared on the balcony, made no attempt to descend into the garden. He ran, light-footed, along the balcony, leapt a nine-foot gap to the next, alighted soundlessly. He threw something up on to the gutter of the neighbouring spot and in six seconds was across the shingled tiles, away...

For hours we scoured the district. Our quarry had vanished among the chimneys. All I had seen was the glint of a diamond stud in what was obviously a dress-shirt front.

We spot the vital clue

The inspector was scathing. "You really must forgive me for intruding upon your beautiful partnership," he said. "But I... I'd like to know about all this before it happened, so we could

"Follow him."

I said

I glanced quickly. Tiny pointed toes... Outside, he hesitated at the taxi-rank, then decided to walk. I jumped into the cab at the tall of the rank.

"I'm a police officer. Follow that man. Don't put your hand down. I'll lie on the floor."

We rolled after the man with the pointed shoes.

Round the corner from Half-Moon-street, up another side avenue, then:

"It's gone into No. 43, Guy-vor," said the taxi-driver. "Right," I said. "Don't stop. Keep going to New Scotland Yard."

I took the lift to the Criminal Record Office. They knew nothing about the address. I searched some picked photo files. There was no record on the man. Still...

Back at Vine-street, I made a report.

Hid loot under mattress

For two days we trailli our man without success. Then he strolled down to Hatton Garden, met a man in a cafe. They took a taxi to Southgate, went into a comfortable-looking private house.

After about 20 minutes the man with the pointed shoes came out alone. I left a colleague to make inquiries at the house, and followed him back to No. 43.

In a brown van a concealed spark-morse receiver buzzed and stammered: "Inquiries at house in Southgate—occupier knows—admits receiving jewellery—has just paid £800—jewellery answers description of part proceeds from Park-lane thefts."

That did it. We called at No. 43. A middle-aged woman answered the polished bell. She was dressed pompously in rustling black, a black taffeta rizzon at her throat; held a cameo brooch.

That was not all. I said, "We went to the scene of the previous night's burglary. Jewels valued £2,000 missing. It didn't make us feel better."

By daylight, thin loops from one balcony to its neighbour seemed no less remarkable. We measured.

Tommy threw the end of a tape-measure across the spar to me. And as I leaned to exten it, I noticed something...

It was a footprint on the balcony ledge—so small and so exquisitely pointed in the toe that it might have been made by a woman's dancing shoe.

We got a ladder, and in the soft mould of the drainage gutter on the roof found another indent of the wedge-shaped shoe. The smooth tiles showed clearly the porcupine-tread of crepe-soles.

"Rubber-soled climbing pumps," said Tommy. "He's had to get those made specially!"

I spent the day visiting those excluded shop emporiums of Jersey-street, York-street (for them, too), Dove-street, Shepherd's Market, where craftsmen took pride in hand-made shoes to suit clients' whims.

"You haven't been looking too well lately. Why don't you see the doctor if you're always so tired?"

"I know Bill, I don't know what's the matter with me... I feel so frightfully tired these days."

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"Yes, sergeant, I can hold him here till you come; I think I've hypnotised him!"

shrubbery of Green Park, we knew we could keep watch on the backs of all those tempting mansions by the Ritz corner.

Three hours later we were chilled, cramped, disappointed. Nothing had happened.

The next night was cloudy. Once again Tommy took the Green Park standstill, in the garden behind Wimbcombe House.

Faintly we heard the austere chimes of dinner gongs from the big mansions. One by one, bedroom lights winked out from costly chandeliers.

I stumbled for a peppermint. The night seemed to be growing quiet and tense. I stared into the shadows until my eyes felt aglow like a stout's...

A dark figure was creeping along the nearest garden boundary. Quick, agile as a cat, it vaulted the high railing, disappeared.

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NEW YORK LETTER

Spaniel ambassador

Ambassador of Downland, a Welsh springer spaniel puppy who lives in more normal times at St. Mary's, Bramber, Sussex, "noised" happily last month beside five empty, up-ended cartons of pure cream at Madison Square Garden, New York City.

He stirred not; and neither did his friend and owner, Miss D. H. Ellis, pay any attention to the outside, cacophonous world of grunts, gruffs, growls and snarls that surrounded them. Ambassador of Downland, the 1,000th dog to fly the North Atlantic and the most outstanding dog of his breed in the United States, was relaxing in a proud, late-evening siesta, and the combined propaganda and impertinence of 2,531 other dogs in the same gigantic kennel was not going to disturb him.

Ambassador was best, in his breed, but a Scottie named Champion Wulsing—Winning Trick of Edgewater had been adjudged the best dog in the annual Westminster Kennel Club Show—in other words, the best dog in the United States.

Winning Trick was owned by Mrs. John G. Winant, widow of the late Ambassador Winant, and his triumph typified a clean sweep of major Dog Show events by British, British-reared or British-descended dogs.

Canine chic

The Annual Dog Show was quite an event. Smaller than Crufts', it had on the other hand every element of American push and salesmanship, with a fair measure of crazy side-shows and cutbacks running wild. There were leads (special leather at 35s. a time), chaulks, dog foods (a free package if you guess the number of biscuits in this box...), dog jewellers, dog psychologists, dog "beauticians," and in one corner there was an enclosure labelled "Canine College."

In an innocent attempt to discover what university education had to offer the all-American dog I wandered over to talk with a young man in a white sweater which bore the device: "Canine College, Where You Dog. Is an Aristocrat."

This eager professor (that was what he told me he was) said that university education had everything to offer, a higher appreciation of the dog's place in life, in the community an advanced training in watchmanship, indoor behaviour, and in the art of knowing how to live in well-adjusted affinity with other dogs.

Varsity Dogs

The university was evidently located in a "pleasantly rolling" section of Connecticut, and all manner of amenities such as sanitation-approved kitchens, quiet rooms, common rooms, cloisters and fourteen acres of grounds, playing fields and so on were waiting for the puppies and their ladies (at £10 a week). A staff of professors and diet experts, registrars and attendants were there to "teach the dogs how to live a useful and full happy

life of companionship and comfort with their owners."

To make the college atmosphere complete the kennel compounds were named "Harvard," "Yale" and so on.

I asked the professor—if he had looked after any British dogs, and if they were psychologically better adjusted than the Americans.

"Oh, yes," he told me, "they seem sturdier, more willing to learn, remembering, of course, that a dog is a dog for all that. In fact, we have had so many British dogs that we are thinking of calling two of our compounds 'Oxford' and 'Cambridge.'

This is nothing unusual in a land where dogs have their own beauty parlours, their own radio station, their own magazine, their own ski meets, their own Bill of Rights (Section 7: "A dog's bone dishes and other personal property shall not be taken away without good reason"), and where a nationwide outcry was raised last week against an innocent Long Island dog-catcher. "The Beast of Dogdom's Dachau."

Winning Trick was owned by Mrs. John G. Winant, widow of the late Ambassador Winant, and his triumph typified a clean sweep of major Dog Show events by British, British-reared or British-descended dogs.

Tea for all

Next day I went to the annual tea-tasting bee of the United States Government.

This is held every year to ensure that American lips do not say anything but the best tea, and in the words of one slap-happy executive who kept telling the Pakistan Vice-Consul what good tea the Indians made, "things were looking good."

Beneath another glare of flood and arc lights the seven dour old men of the Standards Board mixed, and sipped, while attendants poured steaming water from a gleaming polished kettle.

The surprising thing is that Americans drank 20,000,000,000 more cups of tea in 1949 than they did in 1948. In fact this is nothing less than a revolution, and Mr. Smallwood, president of the Tea Association, says there will be another 20 per cent increase in 1950—an increase helped, incidentally, by the high price of coffee.

In an innocent attempt to discover what university education had to offer the all-American dog I wandered over to talk with a young man in a white sweater which bore the device: "Canine College, Where You Dog. Is an Aristocrat."

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Straight shooting

General Lucius Clay's long-awaited book "Decision in Germany" (Random House, New York) is like its author, direct and to the point.

In blunt, straightforward terms reminiscent of a battery report to

regimental headquarters, General Clay has traced the story of his four years in Germany.

The most exciting moment follows the establishment of the Russian blockade.

General Clay opened teleprinter communication with Washington. His message is typed: "We have lost Czechoslovakia. Norway is threatened... we retreat from Berlin. When Berlin falls Western Germany will be next. If we mean to hold out against Communism we must not budge..."

Two months later, with enough food in Berlin for 36 days and coal for 45, Clay cabled again, "Only we have the strength to halt this aggressive policy here and now. It may be too late the next time. I am sure that determined action will bring it to a halt now... without war."

Events, to use the inevitable cliché, proved him right.

Names in light

Albert Einstein did not bother to change out of his usual scruffy trousers and polo neck sweater to appear on Mrs. Roosevelt's television programme. He said: "General annihilation beckons. The only way out of this impasse created by man himself is a supra-national judicial and executive body."

Admiral Chester Nimitz, wartime Pacific Fleet commander-in-chief, officially welcomed 14 travelling Japanese Diet members at Lake Success recently. He shook hands all round, but said afterwards he had not talked about the war. "I didn't want to hurt their feelings," he said.

General Eisenhower, branching out in another direction, had two oil-paintings accepted for an exhibition... at his own university. One was a portrait of his two-year-old grandson.

General Vandenberg, Air Force Chief of Staff, told his officers to wear caps with battle-dresses, "to avoid gaffitis between the jacket and the pants."

Carol Reed learned that his "Third Man" had cleared 51,000 dollars in its first week at Broadway's Victoria Cinema.

Gracie Fields, smiling bravely for photographers, arrived here in the Italian liner *Saturna*.

Shirley Temple will not go to England to make pictures unless she can take her daughter.

Rudolf Bing, sensation-causing British Director of New York's Metropolitan Opera, will visit Scotland this summer to advise the directors of the Edinburgh Festival. Former Festival chief, Bing told me today: "I can't stay away."

Gertrude Lawrence wants to bring Shaw's "Major Barbara" to Broadway next season.

So foreign correspondents, columnists and British stage, screen and radio figures were summoned to taste a little themselves and to pass the word that Americans would soon love their cup of tea as much as the British. At the headquarters of the Tea Bureau, on Fifth Avenue, for example, they are even stopping work at 11 a.m. and at 4 p.m. for the char and wad intermission. "In fact," said one of Mr. Smallwood's bustling staff, "we are beginning to wonder what is the place of coffee in the American economy."

ANTON KARAS, the zither man, is in the New York publicity limelight. "He'll have you in a dither with his zither" is the best line.

THE ANDREWS SISTERS are rejecting all picture offers, will concentrate on radio work. "The guy who made us up was the guy who made up Frankenstein's monster."

ARTHUR MARGETSON star of the Broadway comedy "Clutterbuck," tells me all the members of the cast are "jolly good" and "that it doesn't matter who gets the laughs, old boy, as long as the laughs are got."

IGOR STRAVINSKY will fly to New York this month to conduct his "Firebird" suite for the City Centre Ballet Company. Englishmen FREDERICK ASTON, the Sadler's Wells choreographer, and CECIL BEATON, in this case set-designer, will also present a new work for the company's season.

CHARLIE CHAPLIN is planning to take a supporting role in a circus picture, starring his son, EMLYN WILLIAMS and discovery VANESSA BROWN will star in a Hollywood production entitled "Three Husbands".

HALF A MILLION people make the pilgrimage every year to the Statue of Liberty: 3,000ft. from Manhattan Island, in New York Harbour. Standing 305ft. above water level, the statue rests on Bedloe's Island, almost "next

door" to the famous Ellis Island detention station.

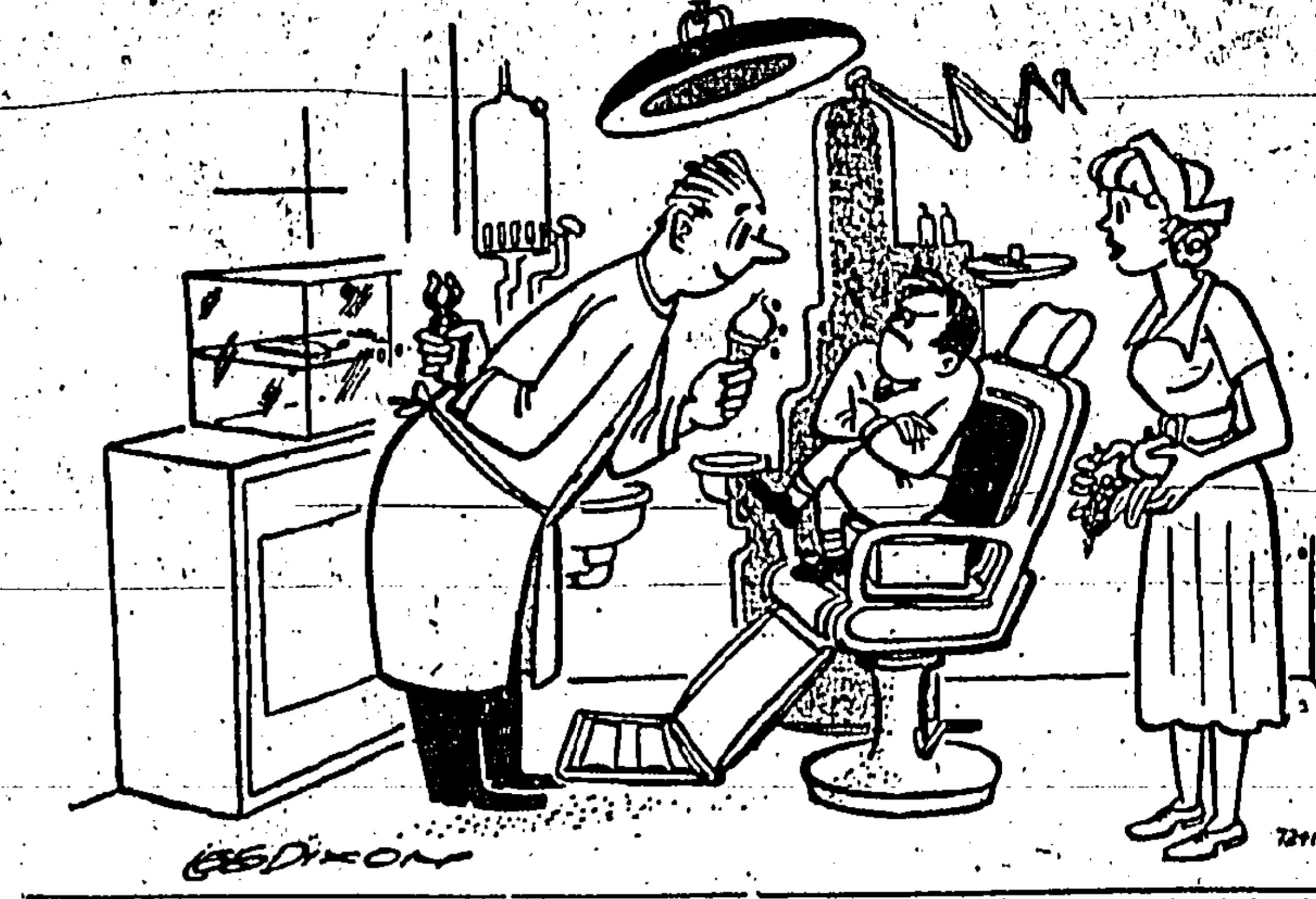
The statue cost £200,000, and it weighs more than 225 tons. Four hundred and five steps lead from the island to the "head" of the statue.

Originally it was dedicated to the ideal of Franco-American friendship, and it was designed by the French sculptor Bartholdi. Funds for the statue were raised in France, for the pedestal in the United States, in both cases by popular subscription. It was dedicated on October 28, 1886.

Mr. Mack surely agrees that it is England and not Scotland that needs decanting of a large proportion of her population by emigration overseas, and that Scotland's chief need is a spread of her population.

"There'll always be an England, and we wish to make sure that there will always be a Scotland. All my English friends

sing 'Hear, hear!'



BOBBY, HOW YOU'VE CHANGED.

By John Kirk Nelson

Now then—no crowding. Move along there, please." Such a vision is unthinkable today. A shiny black car would herald the presence of the guardians of the law, and a telephone voice, amplified by megaphone, would not only silence the crowd but drown the Archangel's fanfare.

Fewer cooks

Again, the legend that, like the sailor who has a wife in every port, the policeman is a cook in every area no longer holds good. If no other reason can be advanced for this change in the scene, there is always the perfectly good reason that these days there cannot be more than one cook to every 1,000 policemen. And certainly since the days of Lord Trunchard's Young Gentlemen the recruitment of the police is from a far greater variety of walks of life.

I shall never forget my wife approaching one of these Young Gentlemen to be directed to a street she could not find. He was in a brown study when she spoke to him, and, finding himself addressed by a woman, he instinctively tried to raise his helmet to her—catching the chin strap smartly under his nose.

It was the only time in my life I had seen a policeman really flustered. I hope I shall never see it again.

If as a people we come to believe that the policeman can lose that monumental calm and dignity which we regard as our protection against anarchy, where should we be?

We don't dislike the English

(Continued from Page 15)

Respective characters

England and Scotland are of so much interest to each other as nations that they want their respective national characters and traditions to be fully preserved and developed. They want to pace each other in good internal Government.

I myself am so much interested in England that, for my own pleasure, I am writing a long essay, "A Scot looks at England," which may develop into a book.

The subject has its sad aspects, just as "Scotland" has. The splendid record of the English people, culminating in the quiet heroism with which they faced the fierce air raids, makes one regret all the more that the vast majority of them should spend their lives in monstrously overgrown, mostly ugly cities and in horrible "black countries."

But I, as a lover of England, should wish to see in a shrinkage of the black urban stain and a spread inward, from East and West, of "England's green and pleasant land."

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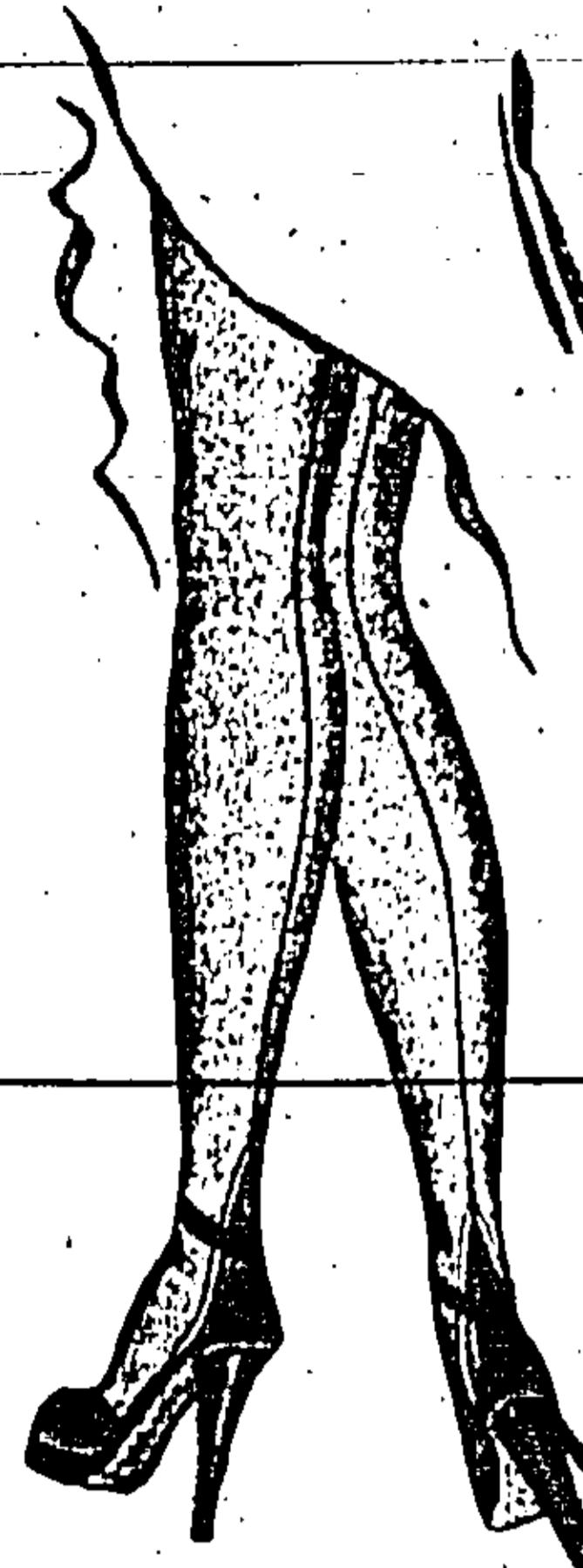
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PROGRESS REPORT ON THE 1951 EXHIBITION

By John Hall

This is an interim report on the £6,000,000—they are spending lifting the face of Old Father Thames in readiness for next year's Festival of Britain.

Main operation is to give new grace to the Old Man's cheek that lies in the heart of London opposite Cleopatra's Needle, and to anoint it with a 30-acre waterfront of gardens and ultra-modern buildings.

Progress report. After difficulties with levels the first stage of the foundations was laid at the weekend. Steel and other components on order.

6—Dome of Discovery. This great building, roofed with a dome of aluminium almost the size of Trafalgar-square, will be one of the outstanding features and will dominate the new river

materials on order. Experts estimate that as soon as contractors move out the erection will not take more than a few months.

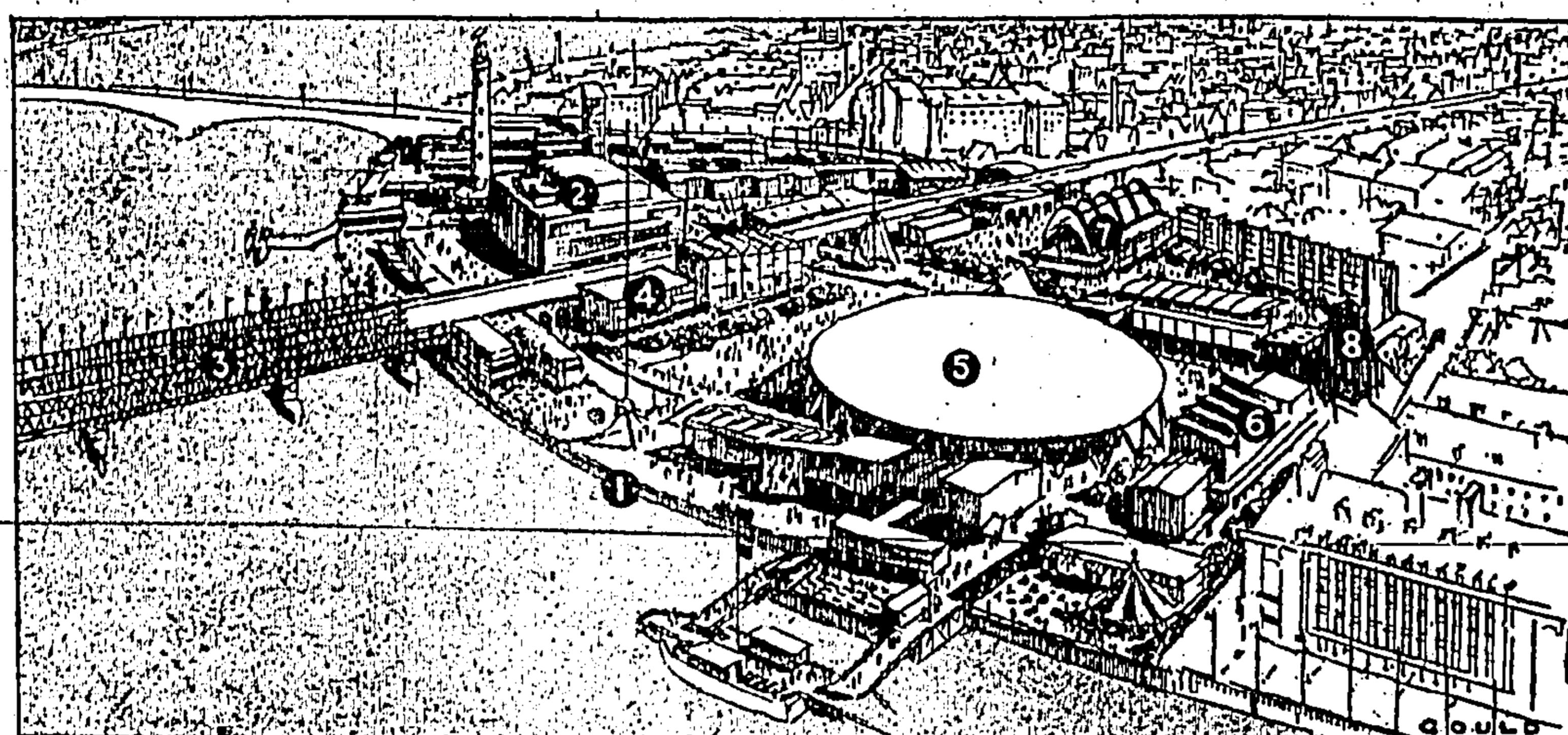
7—Main Entrance Building. This will face Waterloo Station. The project includes a high-level entrance, from the main-line station crossing high over the road and three banks of escalators underground which will move visitors

things as the piers that are to be used by people visiting the exhibition by boat, cannot begin until more clearance work has been done.

Many of the smaller buildings are being prefabricated by private contractors who state that erection will not take more than a few months.

Experts on the job claim that by the end of this year practically all the constructional work will

OLD FATHER THAMES GETS A £6,000,000 FACE



An artist's impression of the exhibition layout. Numbers correspond with sections in the accompanying progress report by John Hall.

Progress report. Foundations have been completed, also the superstructure, the great concrete pylon which are to support the dome. The aluminium roof is being made at Tipton, in Staffordshire, and the engineers claim that the structure will be completed and ready for furnishing by the end of November.

But the men in charge are optimistic, and they gave these progress reports on the project's eight major schemes:

1.—**The New River Wall.** This project was planned and sanctioned before the war—estimated to cost £4,000,000, covers the building of 1,700ft. of new river wall, giving a new curve to Old Father Thames's cheek and enclosing in the process 4½ acres of what used to be mud and tidal flats.

Progress report. The work is more than half finished. Nearly 650ft. of wall has been completed and dressed with granite that is being brought from Cornwall, and the foundations are in for another 500ft. Engineers estimate that they will finish the job by September.

2.—**Concert Hall.** Like the river wall, this £2,000,000 structure has been designed as a permanent part of the South Bank waterfront. It will cover 1½ acres and rise to a height of 114ft.

Progress report. Foundations have been finished and the building is now between 40 and 50ft. high. Contractors estimate that work on the superstructure will be finished on time, which will leave plenty of margin for furnishing the main concert hall with its seating capacity for 3,000 people, and the smaller rooms.

3.—**Bailey Bridge.** This is to be built by the LCC and Army engineers and will span the Thames parallel with—and masking on the West side—the unlikely Hungerford railway bridge. The bridge will be 1,070ft. long and provide a footway 14ft. wide.

Progress report. No progress to date on the site, but the LCC will begin laying piles in the river to support the bridge sometime in March and the Army has given an undertaking that the work will be completed by October. This bridge will be taken down after the festival.

4.—**Transport Pavilion.** This is to be a steel-framed building 25ft. long, open from floor to roof and surrounded by three wide galleries. The steel frame will be clad with asbestos sheeting and glass.

front between the Hungerford bridge and County Hall. It will house the story of British pre-eminence in discovery and exploration.

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6.—**Industry Pavilion.** This is to be 300ft. long, 100ft. wide, and 50ft. high. It has been designed as a tubular-steel frame that will be covered in with glass, corrugated asbestos, and brick panels.

Progress report. Foundations almost finished, steel and other

tors to and from the exhibition from the Waterloo Underground Station. The building itself will be two storeys high, with a futuristic roof finished in steel and glass.

Progress report. Excavations for the escalators are nearly complete, and work on the superstructure of the entrance building itself has just begun.

8.—**Pavilion on Naval Resources.** An 80ft.-square building, topped by a four-sided hollow pyramid of concrete that will rise 70ft. high.

Progress report. Ground and first-floor levels finished. Engineers estimate that the pyramid will be finished by April.

Progress report. Foundations almost finished, steel and other

have been completed, leaving four months in hand for cleaning up the site, painting, laying out the gardens, and assembling the exhibits.

Heaviest political attacks have been made by critics who consider the project ill-timed and, in parts, wasteful.

It is a fact that the only permanent work being done is the building of the new river wall and the concert hall. All the other buildings are to be demolished after the festival.

This sum is the estimate for work on the South Bank site only. Total cost of the festival, which will also include pleasure gardens in Battersea Park and travelling exhibitions, will run to £9,000,000.

Weak spot in America's Far East defences

In the event of war, the Philippine Republic would be a greater liability to the United States than it was in 1941.

If war broke out tomorrow, with a thrust from Asia at U.S.-held defences in the Far East, the Philippine Government could put only one battalion of 500 men into action, supported by 12 obsolete P-51 and 13 P-47 fighter planes and 18 small patrol craft.

The Philippine national economy simply cannot support a modern military force. Despite United States aid totalling more than £600 million since the end of the war, the impoverished republic of 19,000,000 people is committed to expenditure far beyond its resources in maintaining an internal security force of 18,000 officers and men.

This constabulary force is struggling unsuccessfully to subdue the Huks—well-armed, warlike, Communist insurgents, hiding out in the wild mountains and treacherous swamps of central Luzon.

The Huks raid, burn and murder at will. Only recently they ambushed and shot down the widow and daughter of former President Quezon on a main road outside Manila.

Major-General Jonah Anderson, head of the small U.S. military advisory group in the Philippines, is well aware that the hard-pressed constabulary force find the Huks an even tougher

internal proposition in the event of war.

Another grave and growing internal problem is the tightening Chinese economic grip on the islands. As the late President Roxas observed, "If the Chinese in Manila all closed their stores tomorrow, the capital would starve in two days."

At present there are approximately 250,000 Chinese in the Philippines, and there is an esti-

mated increase of 10,000 each year. The annual immigration quota for Chinese is only 600.

The others are smuggled in with the utmost ease past the 18 vessels which are supposed to guard a coastline longer than that of the United States. An additional 20 patrol-boats are laid up because the Government cannot afford to buy missing parts or repair faulty equipment.

Smuggling of Chinese into the country is a recognised and highly "respectable" racket in corrupt sections of the Philippine public service. The current entrance fee for each illegal immigrant is £500 per head.

Like the Chinese in Japan, the Chinese community in the Philip-

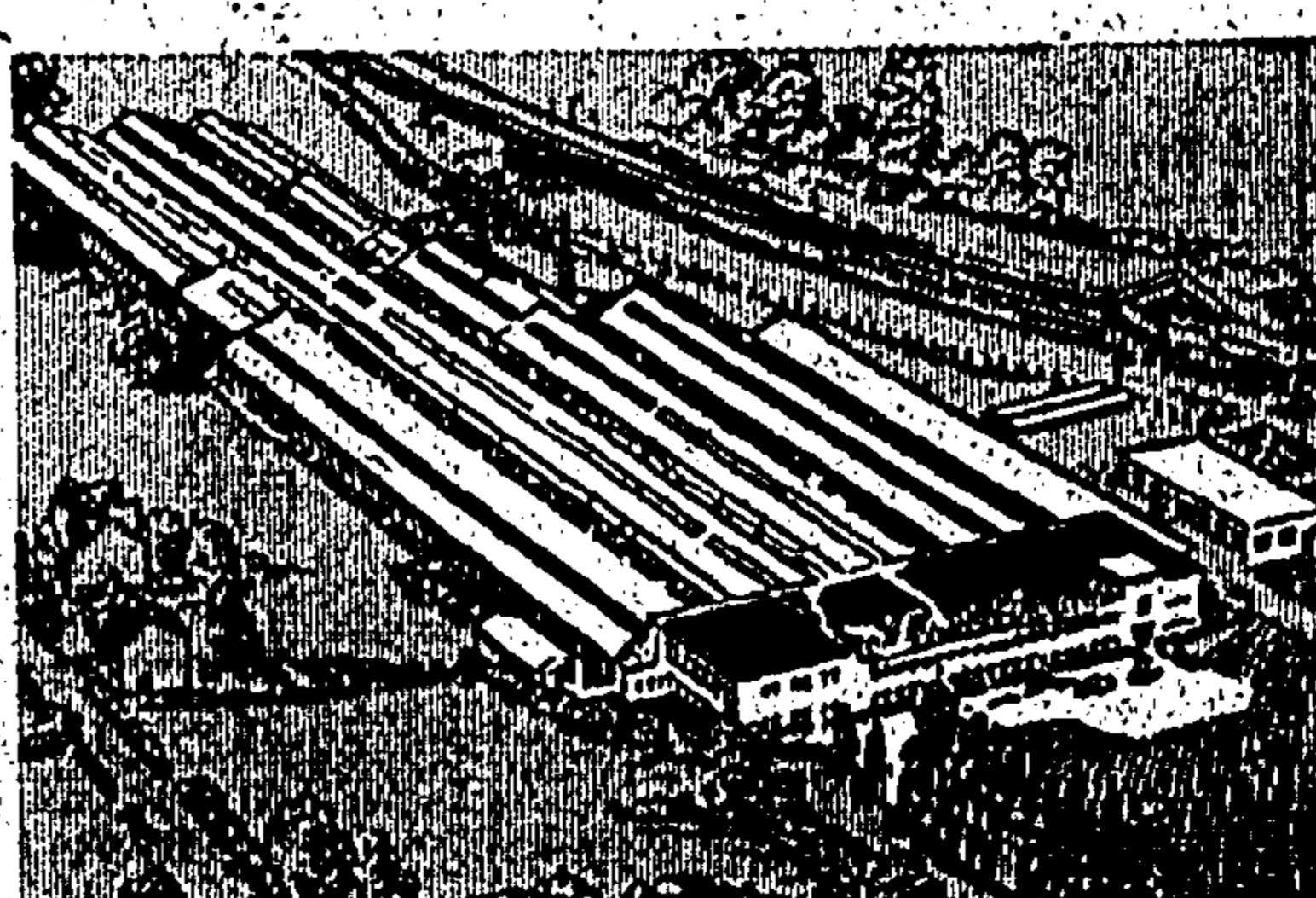
pines tends to go along with the current political trend in China.

U.S. observers have noted that in recent months the one-time omnipresent picture of Chiang Kai-shek in Chinese homes and stores has disappeared. They are not happy about the possible attitude of the local Chinese in the event of war.

Officers of General Anderson's military advisory group (20 of them and a handful of other ranks) estimate that the Republic could perhaps increase its "standing army" of one battalion to five divisions, equipped only with small arms, in three months.

"But," as one officer said dryly, "no one believes that, if war comes, we will have any more time than General MacArthur had after Pearl Harbour."

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By F. G. PRINCE-
WHITE

A Fool, they say, is born every minute. And it is a statistical fact that in the same period of time, in Britain, a man retires.

More than that really — for the figure is based on the average number of claims for retirement pension received in a week by the British Ministry of National Insurance.

These come from employees. But employers also retire, though, in a later age.

So many of them come to regard themselves as the prop and mainstay of business which have been built up, perhaps, largely by their own efforts.

The State has decreed that a man is entitled to rest from his labours when he reaches the age of 65. And, so far from subscribing to the long-accepted belief that a woman's work is never done, it has fixed her retirement age at 60.

Not conforming

There is evidence, however, that men and women alike are refusing to conform to this estimation of their powers.

More than 60 out of every 100 men and half the number of women who have reached the age of retirement since the new National Insurance Act began to operate have elected to go on working.

Because they cannot make do on the State pension of 26s. a week? Because the pension is increased by one shilling a week for every six months that work is continued beyond the retiring age? Or do people stick to their jobs because they are happier doing them? Doctors and psychologists are continually confronted with the problem of the man who has had to retire, willy-nilly.

Having attained the age at which, by the rules of his particular employment, he must close his ledger for the last time, submit his final report, or prepare the minutes of an ultimate board meeting, he has taken his farewell look at the familiar office scene, and gone home for good.

He is urged to turn his mind to a hobby—but he cannot concentrate; he is advised to "do something" with his hands: gardening, carpentry, painting jobs about the house—but he has never done this sort of thing.

He feels lost

He says he "feels lost" without his old job—and in a sense he is lost. The loss is that he has never had any real interest in anything but the work he has always done.

In most cases of this kind salvation has been found only in a part-time return to that particular work.

But there is a large class to whom retirement comes as a long promised happiness.

They have thought and talked of their job as "the grindstone," and they have kept their noses to it mainly for the sake of their wives and families—or simply because it has "paid" them.

Retirement does not mean leisure for them. It means opportunity to do what they have wanted to do all their lives.

Psychologists say that the greater the difference between a man's bread-winning work and the work he does at a hobby, the greater will be his chances of health and contentment in retirement.

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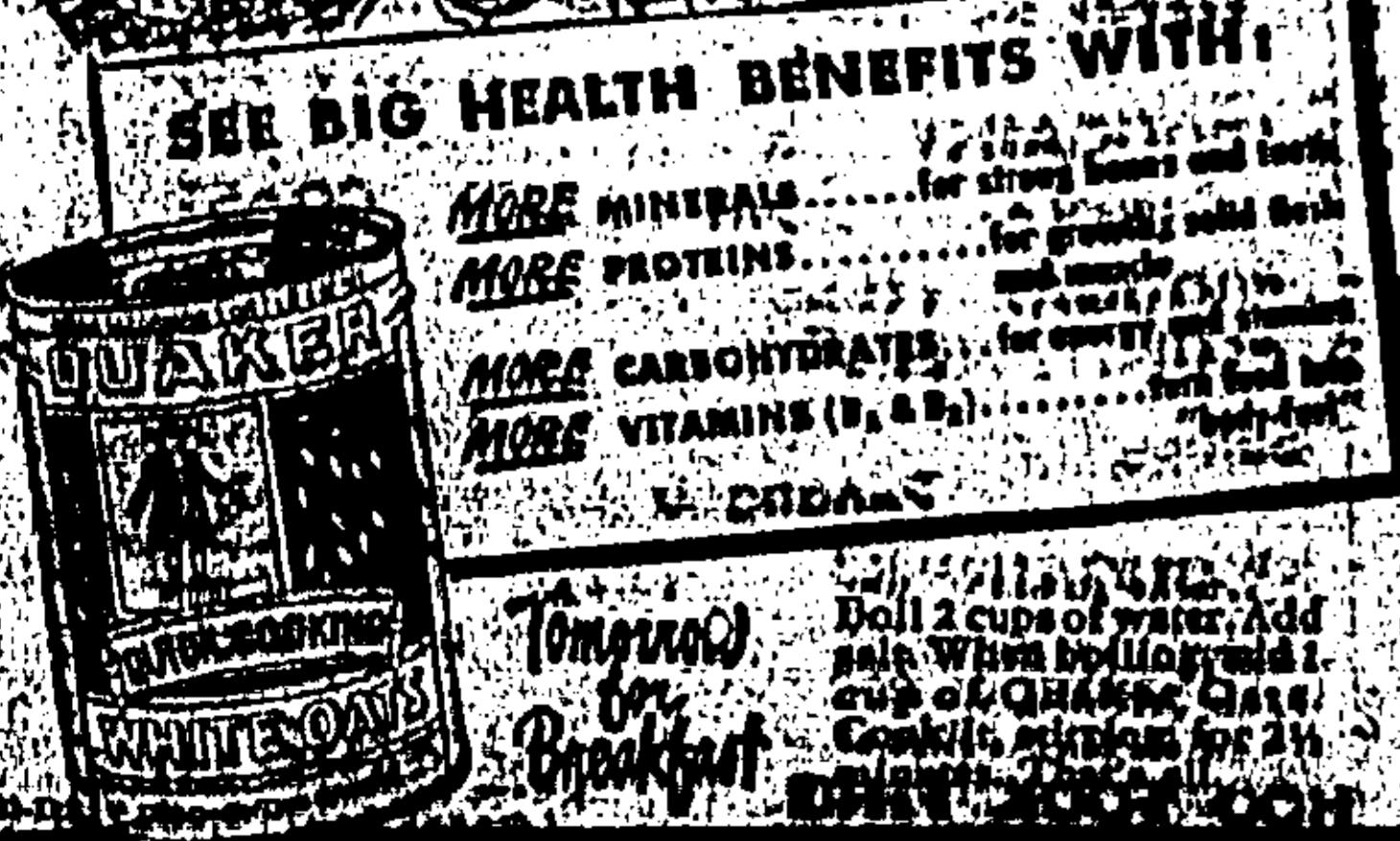
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Between Ourselves

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LADY OF FASHION PORTRAIT

By CLAUDIA

The lady of fashion at the turn of the half-century, how does she look; what does she wear, how does she achieve that "look of the moment" which places her unmistakably in this particular year and no other?

Her figure is slim, but without the "boyish" flatness of the flapper; rounded, without the exaggerated, sometimes padded curves of the "New Look". Exercise and massage in her daily beauty routine ensure the trim waistline, the smooth hip-curve and healthy skin without which her charming clothes lose half their appeal.

Her hair is short, cut expertly but without elaboration, brushed easily, almost negligently—but with a studied negligence—into a brief, attractive frame for head and face.

Her clothes too, follow the slim line, but with special deviations sometimes subtle, sometimes sharply emphasized. She wears very narrow skirts, mid-calf in length, except for the evening cut, very often, with a slight peg-top effect; bodices looser and fuller, with bloused and full, graceful sleeves. Her hats are mostly small, rather young and gay, with unexpected points at unusual angles.

Accessories

Accessories include long, pendant earrings to set off her short hair; very long, elegant gloves—or very chic, short ones; long cigarette holders and longer umbrellas; small handbags with a minimum display of metal; shiny stockings, with lace patterns, lace-holes, and clox, revealed by the shorter skirt; and shoes with the asymmetrical line and pointed closed-in toes, high-heeled and dainty.

Her make-up is less casual, in effect less natural. It has a smart, sleek, carefully contrived look. It is a skilful camouflage, more closely linked with fashion. Except for very informal, open air occasions, she uses a tinted foundation which varies, within the subtle bounds of skin colour, according to the colour scheme of her outfit. Over this, a lighter powder is applied thickly, pressed on firmly with a large pad or puff, the surplus then carefully dusted off, leaving a well-powdered, matte finish.

Her mouth is rather smaller and straighter, the upper lip shaped to a natural "cupid's bow"; the lower lip painted square, with a line as straight as possible along the lower edge.

Lip and nail colours are striking and unusual, with more brilliance and depth, standing out with greater intensity against the matte smoothness of the skin.

Eye make-up is part of the daily routine, no longer just for special occasions. She uses new shades in cosmétique—deep blue, dark green, violet and brown—sometimes with eye shadow, sometimes with a thin pencil line slanting from beneath the lash-line at the outer ends of the lower lids, to the corners—the new, "allo-eyed" look.

Even a beauty spot, worn at night, returns to the make-up kit to draw attention to this new emphasis on eye make-up.

In her routine of beauty care, she pays particular attention to those points which are highlighted by fashion. The neck and shoulders are revealed by short hairstyles and low-cut evening frocks must be treated with soap and water, friction, with skin-softening and bleaching creams, massaged to fill out thin lines or reduce plump faces.

Legs and ankles, displaying shorter skirts, must be slim and snappy. She allows part of her beauty time each day to exercise, massage, with firm, stroking movements, kneading with oil and—slapping the calves—normalising treatment for the too thick and the too thin alike.

I get frightfully exasperated at small things. I have no patience. Sometimes even the children exasperate me. I even sulk for days.

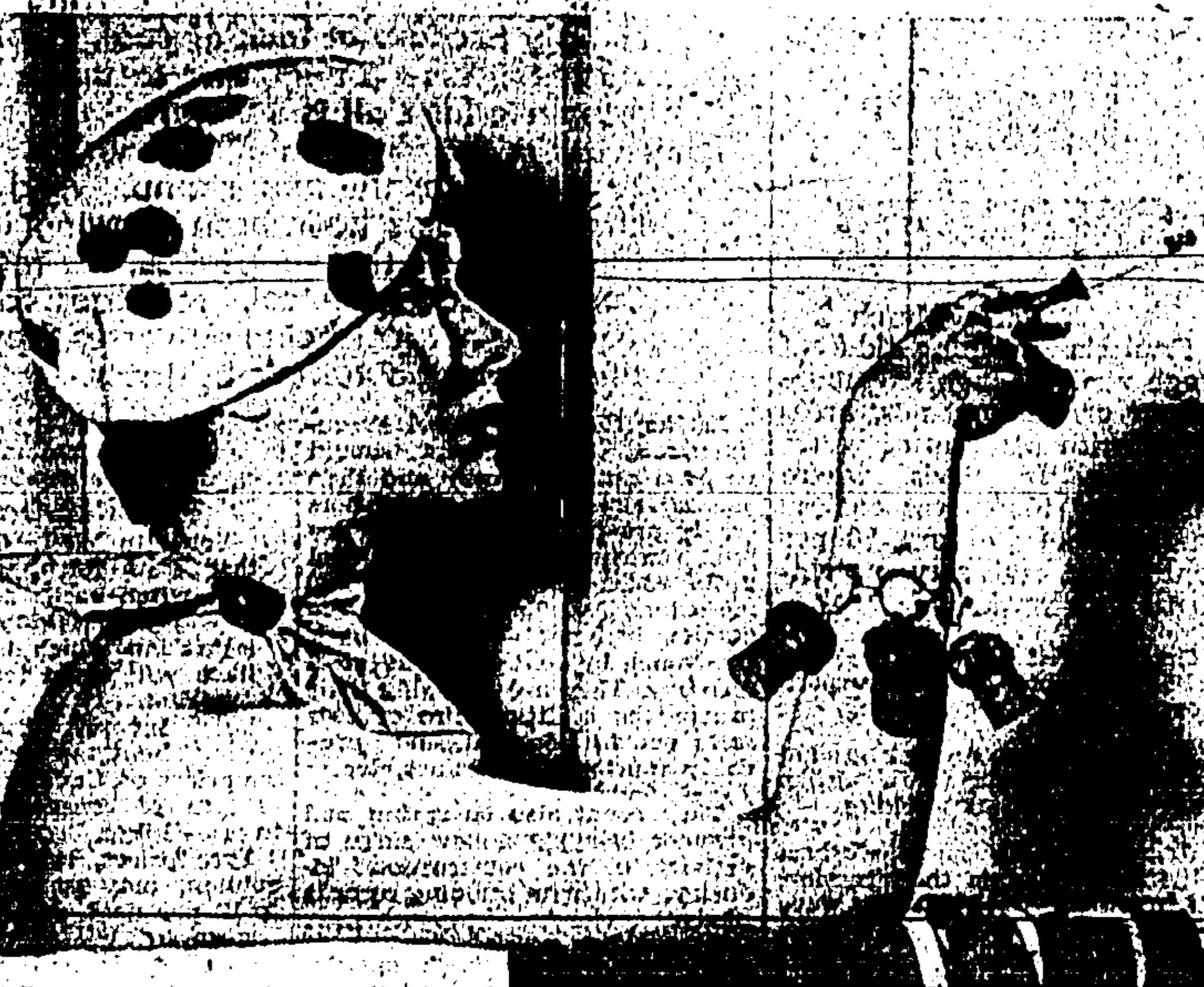
How can I acquire equanimity?

I have tried studying Philosophy.

Is there any way to get poise

and an adult mentality? Or is

Champagne cork bracelet



...Among Paris designer Pierre Balmain's new spring accessories is this bracelet which uses real-champagne corks as charms. Other accessories visible are a shantung silk scarf in cowboy style, but held together with a wooden ring. The Basque beret is of black and white shantung.

—AP Photo.

Cure for loneliness

In my reading I have come across this—"without love in one's life, one becomes neurotic, cranky, and hard."

Would that one single factor of love make all that difference? Can't one be a normal person without love? —R. D.

Yes, love makes all that difference. No, you can't be normal without it. Provided—and this is important—you do not limit the meaning of love.

There is no finer experience in life than to love and be loved. It is the only experience in which the human being is freed from loneliness.

But it is loving that the personality grows. To spend one's heart on another, on a cause, on even an aspiration, occupies forces and energies in one's nature that left hollow would of themselves take other outlets, warping and cramping both mind and feelings.

Warped you will be if you are dependent on being loved. But love in its widest sense—the giving of a warm and generous heart—is the love that holds your personality healthy and free.

I have an opportunity to go into the catering business in a small way, but, though I know plenty about cooking I have no experience of buying on a large scale, and of assessing and costing.

Could you recommend a book from which I could learn this side? —F. F. G.

Frankly, I don't think you could learn from a book the intricate practical, highly technical side of modern catering.

You need to be in touch with someone with experience and knowledge to whom you could put your problems. One way of getting this help would be to take a reliable correspondence course one which covers every side of the work and prepares for catering jobs in hospitals, schools, clubs, holiday camps etc. If this interests you I will send you the name of one I can recommend.

Even a beauty spot, worn at night, returns to the make-up kit to draw attention to this new emphasis on eye make-up.

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I get frightfully exasperated at small things. I have no patience. Sometimes even the children exasperate me. I even sulk for days.

How can I acquire equanimity?

I have tried studying Philosophy.

Is there any way to get poise

and an adult mentality? Or is

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A number of individual invitations to the London Fashion Fortnight, 1950 have been sent to local concerns. It will be held from May 30 to June 12.

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The programme will include a number of receptions, including one by the British Government.

Further information may be obtainable from Miss Jean Scott, London Fashion Fortnight, I.C. House, Millbank, London, S.W.1, or from the United Kingdom Trade Commissioner at Hong Kong.

The originator of the idea, is very carefully never mentioned.

I suppose it pays in the society we live in to climb by other people's brains and make money with other people's work.

EMBITTERED.

It is the ability to climb at all that pays. A sort of irresistible rising that uses everything met as rungs. But there are ugly mugs and dangers in climbing on other people's rungs.

A father wrote this to his son: "The world is divided into people who do things and people who get the credit. Try if you can to belong to the first class. There is far less competition."

—Remember the game of "Hunt the Thimble"?

When it was put in the most obvious place it was hardest to find, the reason being in the difference between the seeing eye and the looking eye.

You look with desperation (the operative word). The mental fuss prevents your seeing. The seeing eye is the receptive eye. It allows "things" to speak and make themselves known.

Nice analogy here with a prejudice that prevents one from seeing a truth sticking out a mile.

I am amazed by the casual way people take credit and pride when they don't deserve.

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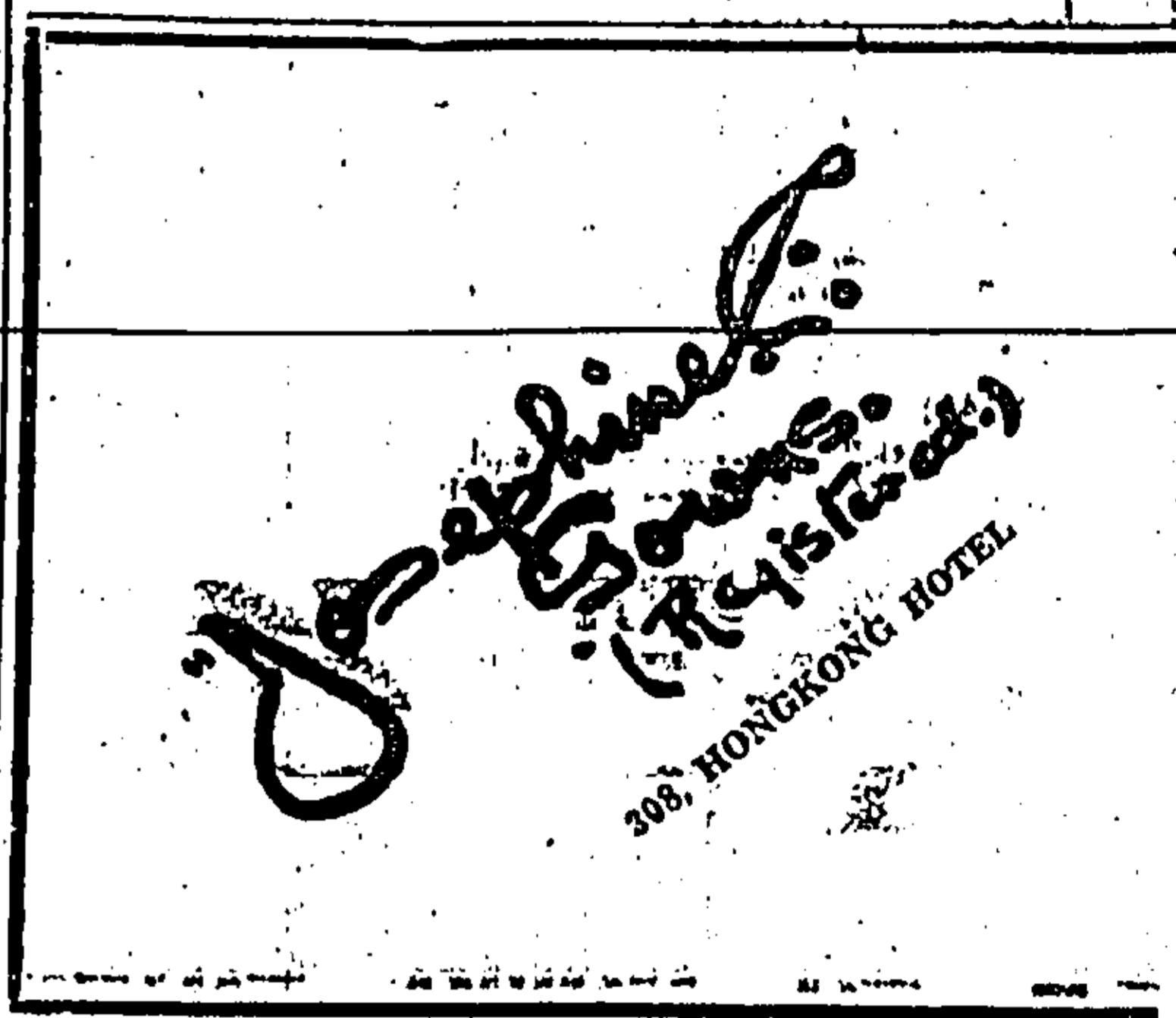
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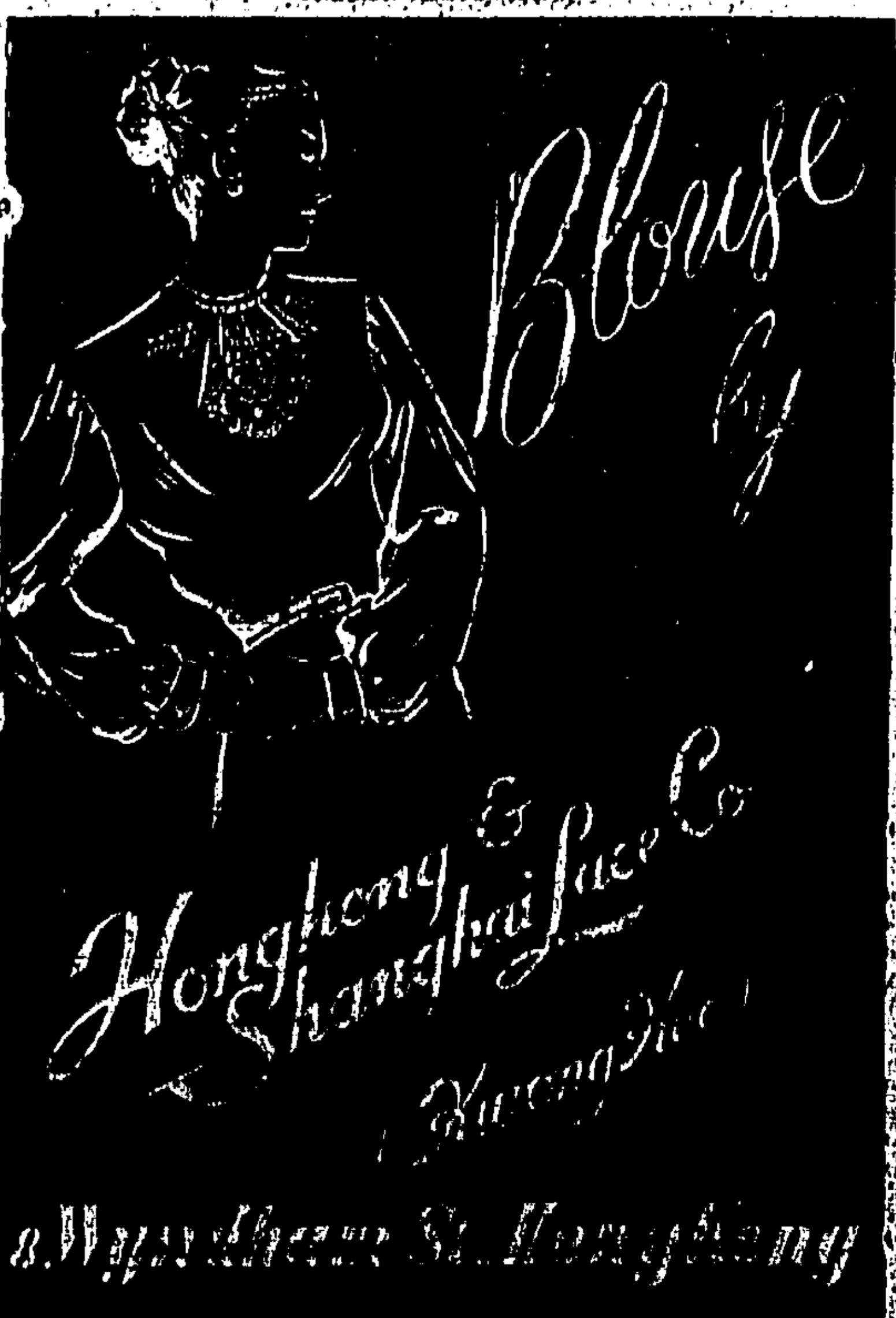
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COAL STRIKE PUSHING BACK TIME TABLE FOR NEXT SLUMP IN U.S.

Strikes in France spreading

Paris, March 3. France's swelling tide of wage strikes engulfed more labour groups and new areas today with a threat of worse to come. In Paris, where the strike fever was cooling among steel workers, 70 per cent of the civil servants voted to stop work.

Ground staff at Orly, the capital's main long-distance airport, stopped work this morning.

At Le Bourget Airport, ground staff took time off for a strike vote but continued working.

They count also on spring and summer bringing a new surge of activity in the construction industry, with new building records likely.

The car industry is feeling the coal shortage, too, as its steel inventories run out. But car production setbacks now will create sales appetites later, the industry figures. Waiting buyers will step right up if they foresee any chance of a shortage or of delivery delays while car makers wait on steel mills to deliver products.

Supporting this view of a renewed upturn in business activity when the coal strike is settled are various governmental reports.

Claims backed

Nantes shipyards' men, and Marseilles dockers came out today backing nation-wide claims for a monthly bonus and more pay.

Workers in the important forges of the Strasbourg steelworks and the Bugatti plant voted to strike today, joining Alseux textile workers in the first big stoppage in the region since the war.

The situation in Eastern France is confused. Some steel plants are operating normally, others are at standstill.

Paris underground and bus workers—though in favour of a strike—are on the job as usual. A union delegation meets the Public Works Minister, M. Jacques Castellan, tomorrow and if the result is unsatisfactory a strike vote will be taken at a general meeting on Sunday night.—Reuter.

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HKU, QUEEN'S COLLEGE, KGV, HOLD ANNUAL ATHLETIC MEETS

Keen competition and a high standard of sportsmanship featured the Annual Athletic Meets of the Hong Kong University, Queen's College and King George V School held yesterday. The most outstanding performance at the University Meet was that of Inge Renner, whose leap of 14 feet four inches in the Long Jump event bettered the record of 13 feet six and a half inches set up by H. Curreem in 1941.

Victor Ludorum of the King George V School Meet was Peter McRae, who set up a School record in the 220 yards event, winning in the time of 24 seconds.

Victrix Ludorum of the King George V School Meet was S. Kirkwood.

University

Morrison Hall won the International championship at the annual track and field meet of the Hong Kong University yesterday.

Morrison Hall was closely trailed throughout the afternoon by Ricel Hall athletes.

The tug-of-war gave Morrison Hall the honour after Ricel Hall had been defeated in two easy tugs.

Although the standard of athletics was not as high as that of the years before, keenness in each event provided interesting competition.

Inge Renner notched the highest aggregate of points in the women's section of the meet.

Her leap of 14 feet and four inches in the long jump event bettered the standing record of 13 feet 6 1/2 inches set by H. Curreem in 1941.

Miss Renner lost both the 50 and 100 yards sprint to Maria Braga.

Norman Lo and T. H. Lean tied for individual honours, each scoring 19 points.

Hans Amann, running the third 440 for Morrison, narrowed Ricel's lead, which helped team-mate Lo to romp in after a thrilling last quarter. But even before this race, Morrison had earned sufficient points to ensure the championship.

Open event

The Colony Open 800 yards saw Ng Yuen-fook, speed king of South China Athletic Association, winning narrowly from 43-year-old Captain N. F. Phillips. A field of more than eight started.

Reggie Silva, one time schoolboy champion for the half-mile, raced off in a quick pace to lead for more than 300 yards.

Then Ng trailed. Phillips lay contentedly in the fourth berth.

Rounding the first lap, Silva dropped behind. Ng overtook the lead and went ahead.

Meanwhile, Phillips had run up to third place and, reaching the 500 yard mark, passed to the second position, some 10 yards behind Ng.

With 200 yards to go, Phillips speeded up and drew in closer, narrowing the wide margin between him and Ng.

It was still anyone's race when coming to the home stretch. Both runners had a last spurt. Phillips made an excellent fight, but was three yards short when Ng touched the tape in the time of two minutes 11.6 seconds.

Trophies and prizes were on conclusion of the Meet, presented by Lady Morris, who was the recipient of a basket flowers.

The results were:

Men's 100 yards: 1. Dick Hanson; 2. Lam Sing-fook; 3. Sidney Hollands; 4. Norman Lo. (10.4 sec.).

Women's 50 yards: 1. Maria Braga; 2. Inge Renner; 3. C. Braga; 4. Daisy Ho. (13.7 sec.).

Men's shot put: 1. Charles Huang; 2. T. H. Lean; 3. T. C. Lean; 4. K. Sargison. Distance: 31 ft. 1 1/2 ins.

Junior 200 Metres: 1. Tse Kali-chen; 2. Mok Ching-hung; 3. Chow Ping-lai.

Senior 100 Metres: 1. Lam Sheung-ilm. (11.8 sec.).

Junior Shot Put: 1. Tse Kali-chen; 3. Lo Yuen-kan.

Junior 200 Metres: 1. Tse Kali-chen (12.6 sec.); 2. Lam Sing-fook; 3. S. Kirkwood; 4. Norman Lo. (10.4 sec.).

Women's 50 yards: 1. Maria Braga; 2. Inge Renner; 3. C. Braga; 4. Daisy Ho. (13.7 sec.).

Men's 200 Metres: 1. T. H. Lean; 2. C. Braga; 3. Margaret King; 4. Rita Lo.

Inter School relay (Invitation): 1. La Sale College; 2. Diocesan Boys' School; 3. St. Joseph's College.

Men's 120 yards high hurdles: 1. Lam Sing-fook; 2. V. Lal; 3. Tang Kai-ying; 4. W. Landolt. (17.7 sec.).

Women's long jump: 1. Inge Renner; 2. I. Osmund; 3. E. Smart; 4. C. Braga. Distance: 14 ft. 4 ins. (Record).

Men's 400 yards: 1. Norman Lo; 2. J. Chan; 3. G. Wagner; 4. Lam Leong-kuang. (54.5 sec.).

Staff Race: 1. Dr. D. W. Gould; 2. Professor L. T. Rider; 3. Mr. M. Moller; 4. Professor Gordon King and Professor S. E. Stock.

Women's 100 yards: 1. Maria Braga; 2. Inge Renner; 3. C. Braga; 4. I. Osmund. (13.7 sec.).

Colony Half Mile (open): 1. Ng Yuen-fook; 2. Captain N. F. Phillips; 3. Loi Ching-ling; 4. Woo

Chung. (17.2 sec.).

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SUNDAY HERALD SPORTS SECTION

HONG KONG, SUNDAY, MARCH 5, 1950.

Int'l Rugby Tournament:

England score smashing win over Scotland in final

(By JAMES BOYD)

In a most enjoyable and exhilarating rugby game at Sookunpoo yesterday, England brought Scotland's run of superiority in the local International Tournament to an end with a convincing win of 31 points to eight.

The game, which was capably handled by Dr. Eberle, produced plenty of good football and was always interesting, despite the one-sided nature of the scoring. It was a fitting climax to the season.

At the conclusion of the game, Brigadier J. P. O'Brien, Twihill, CBE, DSO, presented the trophy to Fowke, the England captain.

Two men stood out in the match and deserved football skill of usually seen in the Colony. They were Claydon and Hutson and their play all through was superb.

Claydon signalled his return to the game by scoring 10 points, three of them from a try in the second half, to score which, he beat half of the Scottish side in a jinking run from about 15 yards out.

His other try was the result of intelligent following up when Wharfe missed a drop at goal. He put up a display of centre three-quarter play unequalled this season in the Colony and showed a quick football brain, allied to outstanding skill and ability.

Seized opportunities

He seized his opportunities, ran straight and hard, and handled in the best style.

In general excellence of play, Hutson was not far behind him. It is good to see a loose forward who goes straight for the fly-half, and it is most refreshing to see someone fit enough to go all out, all the time, and who backs up on even the slenderest of chances.

Intelligent, back-up, and quick-thinking earned Hutson three well-taken tries and his speed and handling prompted one to wonder how good a three-quarter he could have been had he not been a wing-forward. One also wonders how far he would go before he would play a rugger at home.

In England, Claydon plays regularly for Richmond and Eastern Counties.

The backs on the England side all did well, Gregson, who has played for Durham in the County Championship, but who has been playing regularly recently as a wing-forward, showed his versatility by a good performance at wing three-quarter.

Turville ran well and straight and Franklin did all that was required of him, tackling well, and when he scored his try, showing a fine turn of speed.

Fowke was not himself, but Harris and Wharfe combined splendidly at half.

Wharfe got his three's moving quickly and straight and Harris' passing was quick and accurate.

The forwards too, were in good form, and, early on, packed and showed much better than their opponents.

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A refreshing sight

In the loose, the English forwards were on top until late in the game. What a refreshing sight it was to see three of them, Musto, Minto and Bradley, after a good wheel, take the ball at their feet, still binding each other and keeping the ball close, a good 15 yards!

Bradley, Musto and Minto, apart from Hutson were the pick of the pack.

Scotland's tackling in the centre was weak and their handling too poor. J. Henderson, one felt, took too much at the start when fly-half. He gave a very much better display when he went to scrum-half after half-time.

Henderson was good when he came in at fly-half to partner his brother. He handled well and tried hard to get his line going.

Of the backs in general, Harrison was the only one who presented a real threat to the Englishmen, but his opportunities were limited.

In the forwards, who were subduing by their heavier opponents until the last 10 minutes, Logan and Fairlie most often caught the eye.

McMillan-Scott did some clever things, especially in the lines-out and Forgate, Storrie and Meffan scrummaged well.

Scotland did their best work in the tight scrums.

Splendid try

Claydon sent Gregson in for a try in the corner after five minutes play and five minutes

later, feinting to pass to Gregson outside him, he sent Hutson over near the posts for a splendid try the result purely of quick thinking.

Neither of these tries was converted. Scotland then began to have more of the ball and to show more spirit and after another 10 minutes, Logan intercepted a pass from Harris to Wharfe, ran very well, wriggled through Fowke and scored under the posts. D. Henderson converted and half-time came with England leading 10-8.

Any hopes of a close finish were soon dispelled, for England were soon dispelled, for England and Scotland immediately began to scrum at half.

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Claydon again made this try a two-try and converted both, one with a magnificent kick from the touch-line.

Hutson then scored again under the posts, following some beautiful interpassing between Harris and Wharfe along the right-hand touch line, a movement which covered half the field.

Claydon again made this try a two-try and the score became 20-8.

England's last try came from Franklin, who sprinted fully 40 yards, having been put clear by Turville. Claydon once more brought out the extra points.

Scotland, however, came back and following a cut-through by Mackie, Harrison scored in the corner to the great delight of their vociferous supporters, leaving the score 31-8.

Teams

The teams which eventually took the field after several last-minute defections were as follows:

England: Fowke (Commandos); Captain: Gregson (Army), Turville (Club); Franklin (Club); Wharfe (Commandos); Harris (Commandos); Carrel (Club), Luscombe (Club); Winyard (Club); Minto (Club); Musto (Commandos); Hutson (Club); Bradley (Army), and Richardson (Army).

Scotland: Mackie (Club), Harrison (Commandos), D. Henderson (Army), McNaib (Army), Boyle (Army), J. Henderson (Club); Captain, Lachlan (Club), Forgate (Club), Melfair (Club); Storrie (Navy), McMillan-Scott (Army), Jackson (Army), Fairlie (Army), Farquharson (Club) and Logan (Army).

Greens beat Blues

In the curtain-raiser before the main game Greens, who wore blue jerseys, beat Blues, who wore red and navy hoops, by 30 points to eight.

Both sides were several players short but Blues were all round the better side.

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Major question

Two major questions on which the decision may rest, will doubtless be asked. Will Hong Kong be able to raise the necessary funds? Is her Badminton standard good enough to justify her taking part in the Competition?

Provided that a little trouble and a little initiative be taken by those who are responsible

for the promotion of the sport in the Colony the answers to both questions should be in the affirmative.

With regard to the financial question, it is estimated that a team of six players, including a non-playing manager, will incur a travelling expense of \$6,000 by air or about half that amount by sea.

To this may be added perhaps another \$2,000 for food and lodgings, making a total requirement of \$8,000 or \$5,000 depending on the means of travelling chosen.

A certain amount of income may be derived from the matches, themselves, to offset part of the expenditure, as it is provided in the Competition rules that "surplus gate-receipts shall be paid to the competing Nations in equal shares."

Part of the required finance can be made up by gate-collections for the Championships and the League finals.

A comparison of the times recorded indicates that there will be very keen competition in the events and it is quite impossible to forecast which of the three schools will emerge victorious in this triangular contest, the first of its kind ever to be organised by the Wah Yan Colleges.

The sprint relays in the three

grades, Senior, Junior and Midget, promise to be the highlights of the afternoon.

There will also be a relay race for the girls of the Colony's Convent Schools.

At the conclusion of the meet, the Hon. Mr. T. Chau will present the prizes.

Public Enclosure

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is 5s. Including tax for all persons including ladies and is payable at the gate.

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Servants' passes will be issued to private box holders only.

who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employers' stands.

BY ORDER,

A. ALBLAP, Secretary.

HONG KONG, SUNDAY, MARCH 5, 1950.

Victorious English XV



The victorious English XV which scored a convincing win over Scotland in the final of the International Rugby Tournament at Sookunpoo yesterday. England won by 31 points to eight. ("China Mail" Photo).

Badminton:

HK should enter team for Thomas Cup

(By "ARGONAUT")

It is strongly urged that Hong Kong enter a team for the 1951-52 Thomas Cup International Badminton Competition.

In view of the fact that entries for the Pacific Zone should be submitted to the International Badminton Federation not later than January 1, 1951, it is hoped that a meeting of the Association will be convened before the close of the present local season to discuss this subject.

Should an affirmative decision be arrived at, the Association will then have ample time during which to raise the necessary funds and, what is more important, to organise a period of regular training for the likely representatives.

With quite a number of the Colony's top-ranking players having had previous extensive experience in competitive badminton in Malaya, there certainly is a definite prospect of Hong Kong emerging as a Zone-finalist, if not as the ultimate challengers to the champions, Malaya.

The strongest reason why Hong Kong should participate in this tournament next year, is that for once in the history of the game, the Colony will have an opportunity to take part in international games which will involve the minimum cost and distance.

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